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Bank chief seeks immunity

Attali quits to row over 'exit deal'

BY COLIN NARBROUGH AND CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

■ Jacques Attali, identified by an *auditors' report as the root of the* EBRD's spending excesses, left after an immunity deal was rejected

JACQUES Attali has abruptly left the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, leaving its directors wrangling over an immunity deal that would free him from any liability for the extravagances of his two years as president.

M Attali, who resigned last month, had expected to stay in office until a successor had been found. But he left the bank for the last time on Thursday night just before publication of an audit committee report that identified him as the main architect of the bank's spending excesses. It particularly criticised him for his frequent use of chartered aircraft and for using his company credit card for personal expenses.

Before the report was published yesterday, letters drafted by lawyers for M Attali and the bank were put before the directors, outlining a deal under which the outgoing president would waive his £175,000 pay-off in exchange for immunity from pursuit for any irregularities that might emerge from the auditors' examination of his tenure. But while directors from France, Italy and Spain backed the deal, it was fiercely opposed by others, led by the Americans. A row followed and the package was withdrawn. The bank's governor, Anne Wibble, will now spend the weekend trying to find an acceptable arrangement.

Although officials said M Attali had gone for good, legally he remains president until the resignation letters are signed. Some of the bank's backers want him to be sacked, but Mrs Wibble favours a more diplomatic end to his presidency even though he relinquishes control under a cloak of accusation and suspicion.

The audit committee report, obtained yesterday, criticises Mr Attali's extensive use of private aircraft, his low reimbursement of personal expenses charged to the corporate credit card, his failure to disclose to the directors the existence of a Paris office and his personal choice of the architect for the bank's headquarters in the City of London. The report also found that some of his sources of revenue from outside the bank appeared to be inconsistent with its code of conduct — M Attali's resignation last month came after the disclosure that he had received a $30,000 fee for a lecture in Japan.

The committee found no evidence of fraud, but said it found the use of special instead of scheduled flights inappropriate and particularly worrying. The 57 flights, most of them for M Attali, cost the bank £1.4 million in two years. Most of the planes were chartered from Air Enterprise International of Le Bourget, whose charges were said to be up to three times those of rival airlines.

Coopers & Lybrand, who conducted a separate review of the flights, found it difficult to compare the charges of rival charter firms, but it cited the example of a trip to Bucharest for six passengers which cost £33,722 with Air Enterprise in March 1992, while Air London charged £13,350 to take nine passengers to the same city in March this year. Coopers & Lybrand also pointed out that other financial institutions used special flights rarely and suggested that M Attali could have largely have used scheduled services.

While the bank's audit committee criticised M Attali for his excesses, it was not so damning on the bank's overall spending. The EBRD has been widely attacked as "the glistening bank" for the opulence of its London headquarters and the fact that it had spent more on setting itself up than on investing in the Eastern European countries it was established to help. But while the committee described the £66 million spent on refurbishing the headquarters as high, it said that some of the overrun on its budget was the outcome of the speed and quality of the fit-out.

Claes de Neergaard, the Swedish director who heads the audit committee, said the directors had agreed to increase the initial £53 million estimate to £62.5 million and the final overrun was "no catastrophe" for a building of this type. The committee did, however, describe the lack of competitive tendering for the refurbishment — particularly in the choice of architect, which was made by M Attali — as an unacceptable practice for a public sector institution.

The bank's directors are now expected to meet again next week to discuss what action should be taken on the committee's recommendations for tightening up expenditure control and ensuring that taxpayers received value for money.

The search meanwhile continues for a successor to M Attali. The deadline for candidates to come forward is next Thursday and the new president is expected to take office by September. Lord Lawson of Blaby, the former Chancellor mooted as a possible candidate, will not be nominated.

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Attali: president until letters are signed



Ringing the changes: Stella Rimington at the launch of MI5's booklet yesterday

MI5 chief puts a brave face on need for more openness

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

MI5 came out of the shadows yesterday with an unprecedented appeal to the public for information about threats to Britain's security and a photocall by the service's director-general.

Stella Rimington emerged from the protective secrecy favoured by her predecessors to launch a booklet from an organisation that until recently the government had denied existed.

The 36-page glossy brochure, bearing MI5's motto *Regnum Defende*, outlines the work and structure of the service and how it is controlled. The book, price £4.95, also offers a Post Office box number in London for members of the public who want to offer information. As the book was published Mrs Rimington, the 58-year-old director-general, stepped in the public eye by allowing herself to be photographed at her office in central London and later meeting Michael Howard, the home secretary, at the Home Office.

Yesterday's moves were part of Mrs Rimington's drive to dispel many of the myths, largely based on spy novels, that surround the service. They were also part of the government's commitment to open up parts of Whitehall that have been shrouded in secrecy.

A senior source in the security service told journalists after the book was published: "We are not a bowler hatted brigade with rolled umbrellas staffed by ex-army officers". The source said none of the novels came close to a proper reflection of MI5's work. "I hope they will get it right now they have the booklet".

The prime minister said: "I made it clear some time ago that I wanted to open up a whole series of areas that have been previously closed."

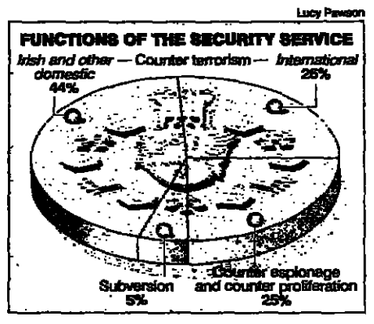
Publication of the document was widely welcomed by politicans and civil liberties groups but Labour renewed their demands for MI5 to be subject to greater parliamentary accountability. The the security source said that although publication of the brochure was a "significant step" it did not herald an "avalanche of openness".

The brochure discloses that with the end of the Cold War, the intelligence effort is directed against terrorism and, above all, the activities of IRA and Loyalist paramilitaries. Seventy per cent of MI5's functions are directed against countering terrorism, with 44 per cent of that devoted to Irish and other domestic terrorism and 26 per cent to international terrorism.

Of the rest, 25 per cent is aimed at "counter-espionage" combatting the spread of nuclear, biological and chemical weapons. The remaining

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Lucy Pawson



Faldo's 63 gives him Open lead

BY MEL WEBB

NICK Faldo, the world's leading golfer, took the lead in the Open Championship at Royal St George's in Sandwich yesterday, but had to break the course record to do so.

Faldo, who is 36 tomorrow, won his third Open at Muirfield last year. He scored a 63 to beat the record held by Christy O'Connor Jnr and is on 132, eight under par, leading Bernhard Langer by a shot.

In a flawless round, he had four birdies to reach the turn in 31 strokes, and played the last nine holes in 32, including three more birdies.

"My 64 in the second round at Muirfield last year might have been better, but I created so many chances and took them today," he said.

Among notable players out at the halfway mark were Tom Watson, who has won the title five times, Jack Nicklaus, three times the champion, and John Cook, who was second to Faldo last year.

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Major defiant on treaty as legal challenge looms

BY PHILIP WEBSTER AND ARTHUR LEATHLEY

SENIOR Conservatives issued a warning yesterday that the government will ratify the Maastricht treaty even if it is defeated in the vote on the social chapter. At the same time it emerged that Sir James Goldsmith, the international entrepreneur, is putting up "hundreds of thousands of pounds" to back a legal attempt by Lord Rees-Mogg to block the treaty.

In a bid to put pressure on the rebels, loyalist Tories suggested yesterday that the Commons could, if necessary, be kept sitting into August to enable the government to deal with any defeat inflicted next Thursday. But senior MPs close to John Major made plain that a reverse would not stand in the way of Britain ratifying the treaty in the form negotiated at Maastricht.

The disclosure about the government's tactics for handling the most critical vote of Mr Major's period in Downing St came as the treaty's opponents prepared to take their campaign to the courts on Monday. Lord Rees-Mogg, a former editor of *The Times*, is to challenge the legality of Parliament's handling of the treaty legislation when he seeks leave to apply for judicial review, a process that could delay ratification until the early autumn.

While the prime minister and cabinet colleagues yesterday expressed confidence over next week's vote, it was clear that considerable thought had been given to what will happen if the government loses. If a motion is passed backing the social chapter, the Commons could be given a later chance, possibly by way of a white paper, to confirm that decision when, the government believes, it would be voted down.

But if the government's own motion is defeated next Thursday, leaving the Maastricht Act without legal force, it could return with a series of motions until one of them does get passed. The passage of any "substantive" motion will mean that the Maastricht bill can come into effect. Either way Mr Major intends both to ratify the treaty and refuse to sign up to the social chapter.

Sir Peter Hordern, chairman of the Tory European af-

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Clinton flies for flood talks

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

PRESIDENT Clinton flies to St Louis today for talks with governors of the Midwest states, devastated by what is being called the worst flooding in US history. The Mississippi, described by Mark Twain as "that lawless stream", reached a record level of 43ft in the city yesterday.

Leon Panetta, the White House budget director, said yesterday that the federal government would increase the amount of aid beyond the $2.5 billion (£1.68 billion) that Mr Clinton had already promised to ask from Congress. But the president has made clear that the government will not cover all losses, estimated yesterday at up to $10 billion. At least 25 people have died in the flooding, now affecting eight states.

Army lorries were used to evacuate people trapped by the merging of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers 20 miles north of their normal confluence. The latest crisis came as the Missouri broke through a levee (riverbank embankment) flooding areas north of St Louis.

In Des Moines, Iowa, 250,000 residents went without water for the sixth day. It is the biggest city to have been cut off from water supplies in American history, and services might not be restored until the end of next week. Parts of Iowa had up to 4in of rain yesterday; about 7in fell in areas of North Dakota and Minnesota.

Twain's prediction more than 100 years ago that the building of leveeswould never curb the great Mississippi is being hailed by ecologists, who have been warning that they would create a man-made disaster.

They say that the levee system can act as a double-edged sword — apart from possibly making floods worse, the remaining levees and dams prevent water draining back into the river.

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Queen was amused by palace invasion

BY STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

THE Queen watched with amusement last week as 14 women, protesting against nuclear tests, scaled the walls of Buckingham Palace and invaded the grounds.

Sources close to the Home Office disclosed that the Queen observed the protest from a palace window overlooking the grounds, and later sent a message of congratulation to the police for their prompt response. Both the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh were at the palace.

Fourteen women were arrested in the palace grounds by armed police from Scotland Yard's royalty protection group on July 6. The women had climbed over the perimeter wall with ladders, and used wire cutters on barbed wire. They were protesting at British government hopes to resume nuclear weapons testing in the United States.

Speaking on behalf of the Queen, palace staff told the Home Office that she believed the police had acted extremely well. They said the Queen was pleased with the way the incident had ended and that she did not believe there was anything wrong with security measures at the palace.



NEWS IN BRIEF

Aspel show censured for restaurant plug

The Independent Television Commission has censured London Weekend Television for promoting the showbusiness restaurant Planet Hollywood in a landmark judgment on the acceptability of "plugs" on chat shows.

The commission, which regulates ITV companies, said an interview with Sylvester Stallone, Arnold Schwarzenegger and Bruce Willis, who own the new London burger bar, "went beyond acceptable plugging and breached the undue prominence requirements of the programme code".

On *Aspel and Company* on May 16, the three stars wore clothing bearing the restaurant's logo and offered some to Michael Aspel, the show's host. The ruling, prompted by four viewer complaints, will send a stern warning to chat show producers, who rely on the lure of plugs for books, films, and products to attract celebrities to appear on their programmes. LWT acknowledged that some aspects of the coverage had been excessive and expressed regret that it had not been able to pre-record the programme to allow editing.

Nurses struck off

Two nurses who ran an old folks' home like a "concentration camp" were struck off the nursing register yesterday. The General Nursing Council's professional conduct committee was told that ward sister Irene Cooper, 40, and Suzanne Buxton, 28, forced crippled patients to walk at Swinton Lodge nursing home, Swinton, South Yorkshire, even when they cried in pain. They took sweets and chocolates from patients and verbally abused them. Cooper and Buxton did not attend the hearing in London.

Salesman 'IRA minder'

A salesman who says he was duped into taking possession of explosives was a "minder" for an IRA cell plotting to bomb John Major's home, an Old Bailey jury was told yesterday. Vincent Wood, 29, was captured minutes after trying to burn a map showing the house in Cambridgeshire. John Nutting, for the prosecution, alleged Mr Wood, of Leytonstone, East London, intended to pass 38lbs of Semtex and five timers to IRA terrorists. Mr Wood admits possessing explosives but denies intent to endanger people or property.

DNA test for 'tsar heir'

The pretender to the Russian throne, Prince Alexis d'Anjou, has volunteered for DNA tests to prove that he is the direct descendant of a daughter of the last tsar. DNA samples could be compared with samples from the bones thought to be those of Nicholas II and his family, which have been studied at a Home Office laboratory at Aldermaston, Berkshire. Prince Alexis's mother says that she is the daughter of Grand Duchess Marie, third daughter of the last tsar.

Flash floods in Lincoln

Lincolnshire, normally one of Britain's drier counties, was recovering yesterday from overnight torrential rain and flash floods. During the night fire brigades answered more than 160 emergency calls, and the cellars of many homes, shops and public houses in Lincoln were flooded. Patients had to be moved from wards in St George's Hospital, and some roads were impassable. Today most of England and Wales is expected to be dry and sunny, with scattered showers in the north and west. Weather forecast, page 20

Bus-stop man charged

A man arrested at a London bus stop on Wednesday with a holdall containing an alleged bomb was yesterday remanded in custody until August 12. In a brief hearing at Arbour Square magistrates court, east London, the man was charged under the name of Robert Fryers with conspiracy to cause an explosion and possession of Semtex explosive.

Teacher loses appeal

Jenne Davies, fired from her job as a German tutor and *housemistress at the £10,000-a-year Royal School in Bath in* May, lost an appeal yesterday to win back her job. She was dismissed after a Chinese boarder spent the night away from the exclusive 300-pupil school. The appeal, before the school's governors, lasted a week.

Men hint at secret activities, but women talk of boring desk job

Women carve a discreet niche in the secret service

BY MARIANNE CURPHEY

WOMEN make better spies than men because they are discreet, meticulous and do not gossip about their work, *according to intelligence experts*.

Unlike men, they do not feel the need to boast about their "classified" activities or hint about secret operations to impress friends and acquaintances.

A senior officer in the Secret Intelligence Service (SIS), sister service of MI5, said yesterday: "Women make excellent intelligence officers. SIS often tries to recruit women abroad for various reasons, and it helps to have women officers to do so.

"*It is worth remembering* that Stella Rimington is head of MI5 not just because of her administrative ability but because she is a first-class intelligence officer.

"SIS began recruiting women officers en masse rather later than MI5 but we now have a large number working for the organisation in their twenties and thirties. A woman will head the Secret Intelligence Service one day, but unless someone is brought in from outside it will obviously take some time."

*Rupert Allason, the Conser*vative MP for Torbay who writes spy thrillers and books on intelligence under the name of Nigel West, said that women intelligence officers were always more discreet than their male counterparts. "Women tend to tell acquaintances that they have a boring desk job in the Ministry of Defence, whereas men like to imply their work is highly secret," he said

"Women are also much more meticulous than men, skilfully collecting and collating minute pieces of information and carefully cross-*referencing them.*"

One of Britain's most senior intelligence officers, Baroness Park of Monmouth, worked in the Belgian Congo under diplomatic cover and held posts as an SIS officer in Moscow and Outer Mongolia. She retired from the service to become principal of Somerville College, Oxford, a post which she held from 1980 to 1989.

Although she has never discussed her work as an intelligence officer, she is still spoken of with great admiration in *Century House, the* headquarters of the SIS in London.

Today Daphne Park is the antithesis of the popular image of a female spy in thrillers and films, where women are usually portrayed as the kind of glamorous, deadly females with which James Bond had to contend.

However, M. R. D. Foot, a former professor of modern history at Manchester University, and author of the official history of the Special Operations Executive, said: "The *idea of a glamorous female* spy has been exaggerated by films and the media.

"All the French Resistance women during the war, except one, had an extremely dull time and came to a horrible end.

"You do not get anywhere in spying without being extremely ruthless, and Ian Fleming's KGB colonel Rosa Klebb was probably nearer the mark."

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PETER TRIEVNOR



Out of the firing line: Baroness Park at London zoo where she was head of development

MI5 shows its face

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5 per cent is directed against subversion, including the activities of groups infiltrating legitimate protest groups.

In her introduction Mrs *Rimington effectively ruled* out MI5 involvement in the bugging of telephone conversations involving the Prince and Princess of Wales. She said that it was not part of the service's function to monitor individuals on the grounds *that they were well known in* public life or held positions of particular responsibility.

Openness clearly has its limits, as the brochure offers no figure for the service's budget. But the public is encouraged to write to PO Box 3255, London SW1P 1AE, with "useful information" about threats to security.

As it was published, a *security service official briefed* 26 journalists at the Home Office. The source disclosed that more than half of the Service's 2,000 staff are women and a similar proportion are under 40. Almost 42 per cent of the elite team of 340 *members of the general intelli*gence group are also women.

Graduates are recruited directly from universities or from among people applying to join the Home Civil Service.

The model of a master spy

BY RICHARD FORD
HOME CORRESPONDENT

STELLA Rimington has shed the anonymity that shrouded her predecessors, emerging as the very model of a modern MI5 director-general.

She has dined publicly with the Queen, invited MPs to lunch at her office, and has even been photographed in the pages of *Hello*, partygoing with the *glitterati*.

Yesterday's photocall in her prosaic Gower Street office — *followed by a picture-session* with Michael Howard, the home secretary — was the latest move in Mrs Rimington's mission to demystify the security services.

When Mrs Rimington, the first woman to head a British *security service, was named* as MI5 chief, some MPs asked whether she would be available for questioning by select committees. Kenneth Clarke, the then home secretary, refused to allow her to testify before the home affairs select committee but a compromise was struck after MPs complained that Mrs Rimington was lunching with newspaper editors.

She invited the MPs to lunch at her office, dazzling them with charm and humour, but not keeping her work under wraps.

A few months ago she was at one of the Queen's informal luncheons where guests included Graham Taylor, the England football manager and Linford Christie, the Olympic champion. Several weeks later Mrs Rimington *returned the compliment*, and the Queen visited the headquarters of security services.

In June Mrs Rimington was pictured, champagne glass in hand, with other members of the Great and Good, attending a Royal Academy dinner at which President Robinson of Ireland was guest of honour. Pictures appeared in *Hello*.

Born Stella Whitehouse, she is the daughter of an engineer who moved from Barrow-in-Furness, where she attended a convent school, to Nottinghamshire where she went to Nottingham Grammar. She read English at Edinburgh, and trained as an archivist in Liverpool.

She married a civil servant, John Rimington, in 1963, and they soon went to Delhi where he worked at the British High Commission. Her *Who's Who* entry says she joined the security service in 1969 but gives no details of her experience in counter-subversion and counter-terrorism.

She has two daughters, and is separated from her husband, who heads the Health and Safety Executive.

Major is defiant on treaty

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fairs committee, said yesterday: "The treaty will be ratified regardless of what happens on Thursday. That is the key point all Conservatives should have in mind, particularly those who are thinking possibly of voting for the social chapter."

Lord Rees-Mogg, describing the issue as the biggest constitutional matter for 300 years, said his legal challenge was based on "three fatal defects, any one of which is sufficient to render this [the ratification process] inoperative". He said other people, as well as Sir James, would be meeting the substantial costs of the action.

The challenge in the courts will concentrate on the government's failure to incorporate the social policy protocol into the treaty. It will claim that handling of the treaty protocols was contrary to European law and that Parliament could not approve the transfer of foreign and security policy to the European Community.

Leolin Price, QC, who will argue the case, said he would ask the court to delay "the steps leading to ratification". He added that the legal proceedings would not delay next week's social chapter debate. Although conceding that ratification could take place while the court case continued, he believed it would have no legal effect. "My own view is that, whether or not a stay is granted, the government would not wish to ratify the treaty if there was a question mark over the case."

Mr Price predicted that the judicial review would move swiftly through the courts and could be completed by Sep*tember even if it went to the* Appeal Court and then the House of Lords.

Claiming that the matter was "of supreme importance to the British public", Lord Rees-Mogg said it would be "a disaster" if the constitutional propriety of the government's action were not tested. "I believe in democracy, in the rule of Parliament and the rule of law." He said that the decision to press for judicial review had been influenced by this week's Lords referendum vote in which pro-referendum peers were heavily defeated. "We would not have needed to do this if the people had been consulted," he said, adding that the Maastricht treaty was "a muddled treaty followed by a muddled and gravely flawed ratification process — bad *treaty, bad ratification*".

☐ The government is unlikely to gain the support of the nine Ulster Unionist MPs in next week's vote on the Social Chapter of the Maastricht Treaty unless it offers huge concessions to the Northern Ireland MPs (James Landale writes). Unionist sources said they would need more than "nods, winks and half promises" before voting for a treaty they oppose.

Cost threat to teacher training

BY JOHN O'LEARY
EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

SOME universities may abandon teacher training, prompting fears of a new shortage of teachers, because they cannot afford to operate the government's school-based system.

The most controversial of the government's training proposals, to establish a so-called "mums' army" to teach in infants schools, has already run into opposition from the unions. The National Association of Head Teachers said yesterday that it would advise school governors to continue to employ only graduates. David Hart, the general secretary of the NAHT, said a one-year course for non-graduates would affect standards.

While difficulties in the graduate employment market *continue to encourage healthy* enrolment for teacher-training courses, heads may be able to resist the spread of the new qualification. But the withdrawal of university education departments from initial teacher training, as the recession ends, could soon change the outlook for schools.

Mary Russell, the secretary of the Universities' Council for the Education of Teachers, told *The Times Educational Supplement* that several departments were considering abandoning their initial teach*er courses because they would* no longer be viable. The new system will pass control of training funds to the schools, which already take up to £1,000 per student for university placements.

☐ The interest rate on student *loans is to fall to 1.2 per cent in* the academic year starting September 1, it was announced yesterday.

Patten to remain in hospital

BY JOHN O'LEARY
EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Patten, the education secretary, underwent tests in a London hospital yesterday to establish why he has not yet recovered from a bout of viral gastro-enteritis.

He is expected to stay in the King Edward VII Hospital for Officers for a few more days, but will leave for important Commons votes, such as next Thursday's key division on the social chapter of the Maastricht Treaty.

Mr Patten will be away from his desk for more than a month and will miss the crucial first report by Sir Ron Dearing on the national curriculum and its tests. The government's response will be given by Baroness Blatch, who is heading the education department in Mr Patten's absence.

The minister had a three-week holiday planned in August and has been advised to take complete rest until then. Officials said his illness was not serious and was not stress-related. He is in regular contact with the department from his hospital bed.

Mr Patten was taken ill on Tuesday, when he was due to answer MPs' questions. A spokesman said he had been having treatment for the viral infection, "basically gastro-*enteritis", for a while.*

☐ Dr Thomas Stuttaford writes: Not all cases of non-bacterial diarrhoea are a result of viral infections, and other causes for Mr Patten's symptoms, if they are not readily explicable, will also *have to be eliminated. This* may involve X-ray studies and endoscopy, direct examination of the gut.

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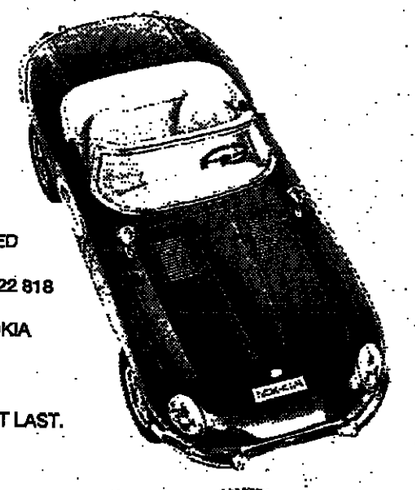
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And how do you find this juror? Obnoxious!

By John Young

JUDGE Gerber had a problem. Eleven good persons and true on jury duty at the Central Criminal Court in London had decided that they could not stand sight or sound of the twelfth, and had written to the judge to tell him so.

"A pain in the arse from the start," was how they described him. "A self-opinionated, bullying know-all."

They complained that they could no longer tolerate his company and warned that there would be trouble when the time came for them to consider their verdict.

His honour took the point. The threat of a punch-up in the jury room was not something that could be lightly contemplated. "Mr Obnoxious", as he had been christened by his fellow jurors, would have to go.

But it was not as simple as that. After consulting counsel for the prosecution and defence, the judge decided that the trial of a man accused of assault had to be halted and started all over again with a new jury, at an estimated cost of £10,000 in lost court time.

"There does seem to be internal dissent," he observed. "It is a unique situation. I have never come across it before. We obviously have to start afresh."

To question each juror individually about the problem "would not assist the administration of justice," he said. "There is no suggestion of misbehaviour. It may be a personality conflict.

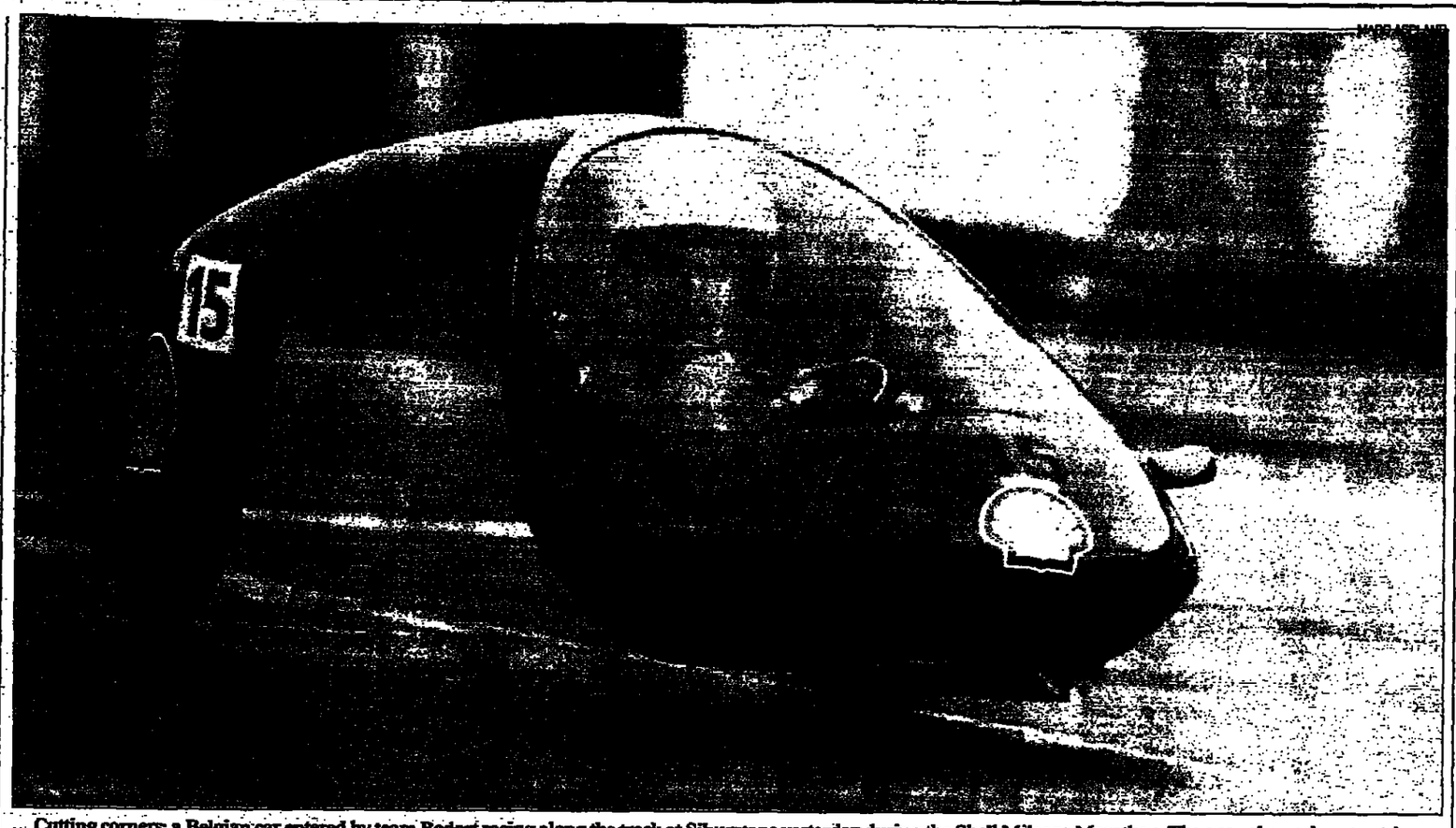
"At least six jurors feel they cannot function as a whole unit. My duty is to ensure there is a fair trial with a jury that is relaxed and can deal with a serious case."

Even the man on trial had noticed that the jury were "a little uneasy with each other," the court was told.

Judge Gerber added: "The jury must function as a coherent whole, and any internal dissension does not make for proper justice." At which he formally discharged them from giving a verdict.

Mr Obnoxious, who hitherto had seemed completely unaware of his unpopularity, appeared surprised at the turn of events and asked: "Why is that, my lord?"

"That", the judge replied, "is my decision."



Cutting corners: a Belgian car entered by team Bodart racing along the track at Silverstone yesterday during the Shell Mileage Marathon. The annual race draws entries from car enthusiasts and universities worldwide, and is staged to find the most economical vehicle, based on lowest fuel consumption round a 10-mile circuit of the track

'Chilling' attempt to blackmail top hotel ends in prison term

By Louise Hidalgo

A FORMER radiographer who threatened to kill guests staying at London's Ritz Hotel in a blackmail letter described as "chilling in its brutal clarity" was yesterday sentenced to ten years in prison.

Michael Darling, 48, had used his education and erudition to "write one of the most powerful blackmail letters it is possible to imagine", the judge told the Old Bailey. Mr Recorder Stuart Moore QC said that Darling, from Hastings, East Sussex, was not a "crank but an intelligent man whose plan had nearly succeeded, and who had targeted on the Ritz, one of London's most prestigious hotels, paying the £120,000 that he had demanded to avoid "potential calamity and adverse publicity".

Darling, who had admitted the blackmail attempt and who swayed in the dock as the sentence was passed, wrote to the hotel's general manager in April claiming to be from a syndicate of international blackmailers. Using the pseudonym Mr Forest, he said that attacks would be made on both staff and guests staying at the hotel if the money was not paid.

The letter went on: "After a number of guests are injured or killed, the reasons for the attacks will be made public through our contacts in the media in this country and internationally. The quoted reason will be that the people in question are people who are staying or have stayed in your hotel. It takes no imagination to realise that within a short period of time your hotel will be rapidly losing money."

The judge praised the Ritz, which had immediately informed the police, for "behaving as one would expect it to behave — in a thoroughly responsible way".

In subsequent telephone calls to the hotel, Darling ordered a member of staff to go to a hotel car park off the M4 motorway with a mobile telephone and a bag containing the £120,000. He then phoned further directions, which ended with the bag being dropped off in a concrete container in an M4 layby.

As the police watched, Darling picked it up and drove off. He was arrested and made a full confession, saying he had devised the plot to get money to support his wife and child.

Darling, who has no previous criminal history, became depressed after giving up a £24,000-a-year job as a computer product manager because of overwork and "physical and emotional exhaustion", the court heard. He had intended to work as a freelance consultant, but became increasingly concerned about his finances.

"For someone who had spent his whole life working devotedly for very long hours, it quite clearly had a devastating effect," said Thomas Buxton, Darling's counsel. Once he had written the blackmail letter, he found himself "on a merry-go-round and couldn't get off".

Judge Moore said that he remained mystified as to why Darling should have resorted to crime. A former colleague at Eastbourne General Hospital told the court that he was a man of exemplary "dedication and integrity".

Earlier his wife, Jane, had told the court that her husband had never displayed any violent behaviour and that he was "solid and reliable and not a man prone to fanciful ideas".

"He has never allowed his imagination to run wild in any shape or form before this letter. I'm at a total loss to explain it," she said.

Rousseau's Tiger to be unleashed

By Alison Roberts
Arts Reporter

HENRI Rousseau's *Tropical Storm with a Tiger*, the earliest of the artist's jungle pictures, will go on tour in a new National Gallery venture introducing masterpieces to a wider audience. *Tiger*, painted in 1891, will visit Southampton City Art Gallery, Leicestershire Museum and Art Gallery and Leeds City Art Gallery between October 1993 and March 1994.

The gallery's trustees remain concerned about the institution's capacity to acquire new work. Launching its annual report, the chairman, Nicholas Baring, repeated his demand that the government protect the gallery's purchase grant. Last year, Peter Brooke, the heritage secretary, announced that grants for museums and galleries would be given in one lump sum. Previously, separate sums had been given for building maintenance, acquisitions and running costs.

Last year's major purchase — Holbein's *Lady with a Squirrel and a Starling* — cost £10 million, requiring the gallery to pledge nearly three years' worth of money for acquisitions, and to call on three other charitable bodies for help.

Video shows gang in £7m jewel theft

By Robin Young

POLICE have released a video recording of the raid in Hatton Garden, central London, in which three armed robbers stole £7 million worth of diamonds from the workshops of Graff jewellers.

The film, shot from a camera looking down on the entrance, shows the three men entering and leaving the premises in Greville Street.

Det Insp Robin Berger, the officer in charge of the investigation, said: "The quality is not brilliant, but it gives our first picture of the three together."

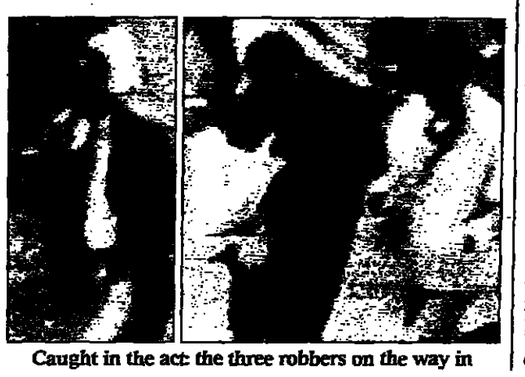
The raid lasted nearly four minutes, beginning at 8.40am on Thursday.

The men entered the Graff workshops minutes after a director of the company and his son. The leading man used a key to open the front door, which Mr Berger described as an unusual feature.

All three men wore distinctive baseball caps and were described as white, well-built and about 5ft 10in to 6ft tall. The first man to enter wore a light shirt, dark tie, three-quarter length or thigh-length jacket and a belt dangling in front of him. He appeared to have a "beer gut".

The second man was thickset with dark hair and carried a white plastic bag. The third wore a light coloured top with dark trim around the neck and chest area.

Mr Berger said that police were hoping someone in the area had noticed them and would be able to give a fuller description. "Each man had a handgun, each wore a stocking mask and each wore a baseball cap," he said.



Caught in the act: the three robbers on the way in

Probation term for mentally ill killer

A SCHIZOPHRENIC who mugged and killed an 83-year-old man after being released from hospital on the government's care in the community programme was sentenced to three years' probation yesterday. The victim's family condemned the sentence and demanded an enquiry.

Paul Gordon, 26, killed William Hoarsley after refusing to take his medication, which he was legally entitled to do. He admitted manslaughter and robbery. His plea of not guilty to murder was accepted by the Old Bailey jury.

Judge Henry Pownall QC told Gordon that he would have to spend the first part of the probation order in hospital, but if he responded to medication he would return to the community as an outpatient.

Ellen Hall, the dead man's neice, said after the hearing: "The sentence is absolutely outrageous. It seems that the British justice system is falling apart.

"All the wrong messages are being sent out. People must know they cannot just go out and attack old people and get off Scot free."

Mr Hoarsley was feeding pigeons after collecting £50 pounds from a post office near his home in New Cross south-east London last September. Gordon had followed him after seeing him collect the money.

Gordon pushed Mr Hoarsley over the wall he was sitting on and he cracked his head as he fell then suffered a heart attack. Gordon ran off with the £50. He was arrested later after being identified by witnesses to the attack.

Gordon, also of New Cross, has previous convictions for violence and theft. In April 1982 he held a flick knife to a young woman's throat and grabbed her gold chain. In 1984 he was convicted of carrying an offensive weapon, a meat cleaver.

David Blunkett, the shadow health secretary, said last night: "To have let a man loose who was previously convicted of carrying a meat cleaver, rather than ensuring the safety of the public and the treatment of the individual by locking him up, is extraordinary.

"To release him after committing manslaughter indicates a total failure of the existing system to deal with mentally ill people and to adequately safeguard the interests of the public.

"Instead of closing psychiatric institutions, the Government should rethink its care in the community policy to ensure that all of us can sleep in our beds at night and walk safely in our streets."

He added: "They are going to close 47 more units between now and 1997, and we say that programme of closures should be halted pending a full review of the system."

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Gene discovery raises screening fear

By Nigel Hawkes
Science Editor

■ MPs and others concerned at the ethical implications of a supposed "gay gene" want measures to stop foetuses being tested

LEGISLATION may be needed to deal with the discovery of genes that influence behaviour, MPs and genetic experts said yesterday.

The calls came after an American team said it had discovered the approximate location of a gene that contributes to homosexuality in men. A House of Commons early day motion put down by the Liberal Democrat David Alton and signed by 30 MPs calls for a "gene charter" to limit the use of such information.

The fear is that the discovery might lead to a test which would enable foetuses to be screened for the gene, and mothers offered a chance of abortion. The leader of the scientific team, Dr Dean Hamer of the National Institute of Health, said that such tests would constitute an abuse of privacy and discussions were under way with US authorities to prevent them.

No such test was available, he said, nor did he think it practical to consider genetic manipulation to control sexual orientation. "I think it would never be successful because sexuality is such a complex trait that it could not be changed or detected by looking at just one gene," he said.

The Nuffield Council on Bioethics' working party on genetic screening, chaired by Dame June Lloyd, a professor at the Institute of Child Health in London, is to report at the end of the year, but is expected only to cover genetic screening for serious medical conditions.

David Shapiro, of the council, said yesterday: "Should one try to regulate the use of genetic screening for non-medical conditions? There needs to be a serious discussion of that, and it's so important that government might want to do it itself."

Dr Clare Marris, a molecular biologist and chairwoman of the Genetics Forum, a group concerned with the ethical use of genetic information, said she doubted that complex social and psychological behaviour was only controlled by genes. In general, she said, the forum opposed screening for disabilities or for genes that might contribute to behaviour problems in the absence of social policies to help people with such conditions.

"If we are offering a mother a choice, it has to be a real choice", she said. "It is not enough to offer her the option of an abortion if the alternative is to have a baby which will not be helped to lead a normal life."

In a letter published in *The Times* today, the former chief rabbi, Lord Jakobovits, says the finding of the gene does not affect the moral status of homosexuality. "Homosexuality is a grave departure from the natural norm which we are charged to overcome like any other affliction, genetic or not," Lord Jakobovits writes.

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Gay relatives gave the clue

By Our Science Editor

AT LEAST three American research groups have been racing to discover the homosexuality gene. First past the post, with a report in yesterday's issue of *Science*, was a team from the Laboratory of Biochemistry at the US National Institutes of Health.

Dr Dean Hamer and his colleagues believe they have identified the region of the X chromosome on which they lie in homosexual men. A similar study of lesbians is under way.

Dr Hamer's discovery was the next logical step in research that has been taking place for several years. Studies of separated identical twins found that those who were homosexual had a high chance of having a homosexual twin. This applied to men and women. Also, apparent morphological differences in the brains of women, heterosexual men and homosexual men were discovered, with gay men being more similar to women.

The implication of both these areas of study was that a genetic factor was responsible for at least some differences in sexual orientation.

Dr Hamer has closed in on this factor by identifying families with a history of gay men. His team set the chances of being homosexual among men in general at 2 per cent, lower than past studies. But they found that a homosexual man had a 13.5 per cent chance of having a gay brother and a 7.5 per cent chance of a gay maternal uncle or male cousin of a maternal aunt.

From this, the team drew a conclusion that greatly narrowed the search. If the gene was transferred in the female line only, then it must lie on the X chromosome, the only one of the 46 human chromosomes that derives exclusively from the mother.

Next the team looked at a series of genetic markers known to lie along the X chromosome. In 33 pairs of gay brothers, they found that five genetic markers in the same region of the X chromosome were all present.

The odds against this arising by chance are small, and Dr Hamer estimates there is a 99 per cent chance that genes in this region of the X chromosome contribute to homosexuality in these men. "We can account for a substantial amount of sexual orientation with this one genetic region," he said.

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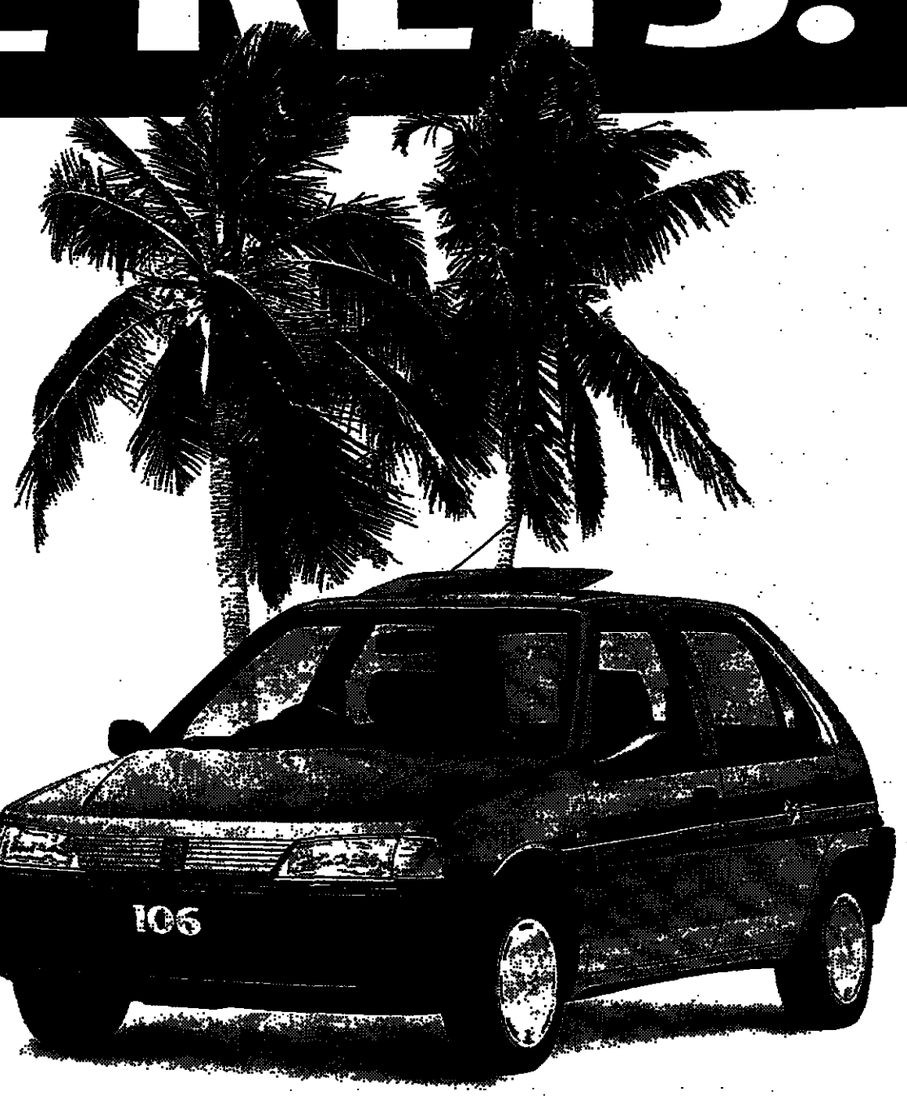
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Counsellor stabbed in heart as he mediates

BY RICHARD DUCE

A COUNSELLOR with the YMCA was stabbed to death as he tried to mediate in a dispute between a man and woman, police said yesterday.

Nick Stanley, a housing counsellor, had called at the man's flat in Guildford, Surrey, to try to resolve an argument about accommodation for the couple, who once lived together.

Mr Stanley was stabbed through the heart and was later discovered dying on the landing of the flats in Portsmouth Road.

Last night, a man and a woman, both in their twenties, were helping police with their enquiries after Mr Stanley's death on Thursday evening.

Mr Stanley's wife has left her home in nearby Epsom Road and is being comforted by relatives. The couple did not have any children.

Alex Cloake, executive director of the YMCA in Guildford, said yesterday: "We are absolutely devastated by this news. Nick was completely committed to his job. He had an extraordinary talent with people of every kind and above all he was a true Christian who had dedicated his life to translating our Lord's teachings into practical action. Our work will, of course, go on but we will never be able to replace him."

Mr Stanley began work for the Guildford YMCA last year and was responsible for the counselling and support of association residents, particularly those seen as having special needs.

Another colleague said: "He was a weightlifter and if you saw the size of him, you would wonder how anyone could get the better of him."

Police were alerted to the killing when neighbours heard shouting. A man and a woman were immediately arrested for questioning after police recovered a blood-stained knife.

Eve Day, 74, who has lived at the flats for 25 years, said: "I was sitting in my flat when I heard a knock on the door and when I went to open it, there was a woman standing there screaming and shouting.

"I couldn't understand what she was saying. I looked down and saw the body of a man on the floor right outside my flat. His chest was covered in blood and there was blood all around him."

A police spokesman said: "A man who lives at the flats is being held along with the woman, who lives in another part of town."

Mr Stanley was taken to Royal Surrey County Hospital in Guildford but was dead on arrival.

A post mortem examination showed that Mr Stanley died from a single stab wound to the heart.

Children restricted by worried families

BY TIM JONES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

PARENTS' anxieties are leading to a society where children are being brought up in a much more restricted environment than today's adults enjoyed when they were small.

According to the Policy Studies Institute, children's development is being stunted by limits imposed by parents on their going about on their own. Parents are spending more and more time chauffeuring their able-bodied children because of fears for their safety in an increasingly motorised and dangerous world.

Twenty years ago, it says, 80 per cent of seven-year-olds and eight-year-olds went to school on their own but now only one in nine are allowed to do so. Although 80 per cent of schoolchildren own a bicycle, only 2 per cent cycle to school.

The report, *Children, Transport and the Quality of Life*, says that because children are not being given the chance to get about on foot or cycle on their own, a majority do not reach the recommended threshold of heart rate in fitness tests and will be more susceptible to serious illness in later life. Children's social and emotional development is also retarded, the report says, because they get insufficient freedom to develop coping skills, self-esteem, a sense of identity and the capacity to take responsibility.

Because of the fears, the report suggests, parents' lives are also constrained, with many mothers having to limit themselves to part-time and less well-paid jobs because of the need to escort children. Dr Mayer Hillman, the report's editor, said the conventional response to the danger from traffic led to "a great injustice from the viewpoint of children's freedom. It has resulted in damage to their physical and social development as well as incurring high economic cost."

The report calls for transport policy to encourage walking and cycling, and for traffic-calming measures.

BBC survey backs Tully's claims

BY ALEXANDRA FREAN, MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THE BBC is too bureaucratic and ruled by a system of "baronies" in which people are afraid to speak their mind, a survey of the corporation's staff suggests.

The findings appear to support criticisms of the BBC made this week by the foreign correspondent Mark Tully, who spoke of a climate of fear in which staff felt they were being watched by "Big Brother".

Almost 5,000 of the 24,500-strong workforce took part in the survey, the first of its kind. Although most said they felt insecure in their jobs and undervalued, a majority also said they were proud of the BBC and believed it made good programmes and provided an excellent public service.

The findings contradict the claim by John Birt, the director-general, that staff were not afraid to speak out. They also show that the management has failed satisfactorily to explain its sweeping reforms, *Extending Choice*, designed to improve efficiency before the renewal of the BBC's Royal Charter in 1996. Although 96 per cent of staff said they were aware of the long-term goals of *Extending Choice*, 55 per cent said they did not understand what they meant for them.

Margaret Salmon, director of personnel, said: "The overriding message is that of bureaucracy — it gets the lowest score of the whole survey and staff clearly feel that the red tape simply gets in the way .... Staff also say that the BBC does still seem to be a system of baronies and territories."

Nearly a third of respondents said there was too much red tape, and a similar number complained about poor management. A fifth criticised a lack of communication between managers and staff and almost a fifth said low morale harmed their work.

Asked what single thing they would change if put in charge, a fifth said that staff should have a greater say in decision-making. Five per cent said that Mr Birt or Marmaduke Hussey, the BBC chairman, should go, and 3 per cent wanted to abolish the new costings system, *Producer Choice*.

One in three staff chosen at random were invited to take part in the survey, which cost £85,000, and 55 per cent responded. Senior managers showed the highest level of satisfaction with their employer. Technicians — the biggest single grade of staff at 20 per cent of the workforce — were the most dissatisfied.

Tony Lennon, president of the broadcasting union Bectu, said the results indicated a huge gap between the perceptions of staff and the management.

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'Rhys has not moaned, he has handled everything so well. We are very proud'



PAUL WALTERS

Living in hope: Barry Daniels at Bristol Royal Hospital for Sick Children, where his son Rhys is being treated

Transplant parents face anxious wait

BY IAN MURRAY

RHYS Daniels, 2, spent yesterday at Bristol Royal Hospital for Sick Children being prepared for the pioneering bone marrow transplant that may save his life. A courier arrived from London during the afternoon, carrying the marrow from an anonymous donor, so that it could be injected into Rhys during the evening.

The treatment was due to be carried out six months ago at Westminster Children's Hospital, but the specialist bone marrow unit was closed as part of a reorganisation.

North West Thames Regional Health Authority was condemned in the High Court after Barry and Carmen Daniels, the parents of Rhys, brought an action against the closure. Then the Bristol hospital offered to carry out the transplant.

Mr Daniels, from Epping, Essex, yesterday said: "We have fought long and hard to get treatment for Rhys and now we have to keep our fingers crossed that the transplant will be successful.

"We realise that it is only a first step, and we may not know for several months whether the transplant has defeated the disease."

Rhys is suffering from Batten's Disease, a rare genetic disorder that kills children by the time they are seven. Doctors hope that the transplant treatment, never before used to combat this disease, will prevent the onset of the symptoms of brain wastage, which usually set in by the victim's third birthday.

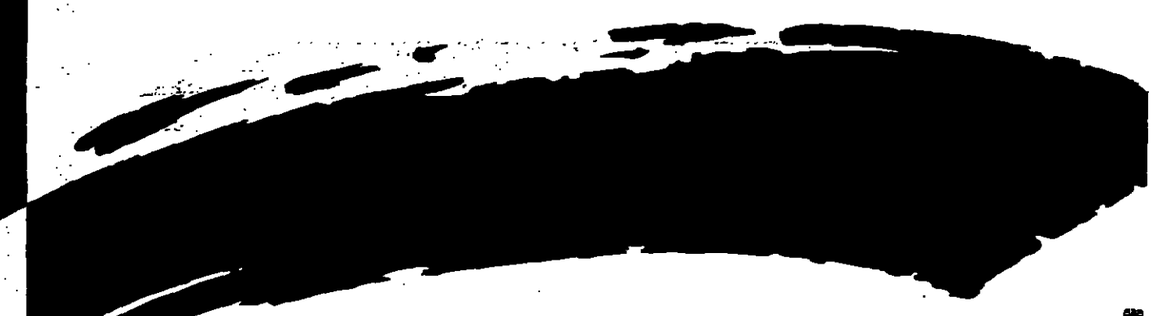
"Rhys is a little bit too young to understand what is happening to him but he has handled everything so well," Mr Daniels said. "As his parents, we are very proud. He has not moaned once about being connected up to tubes and machines for 24 hours a day."

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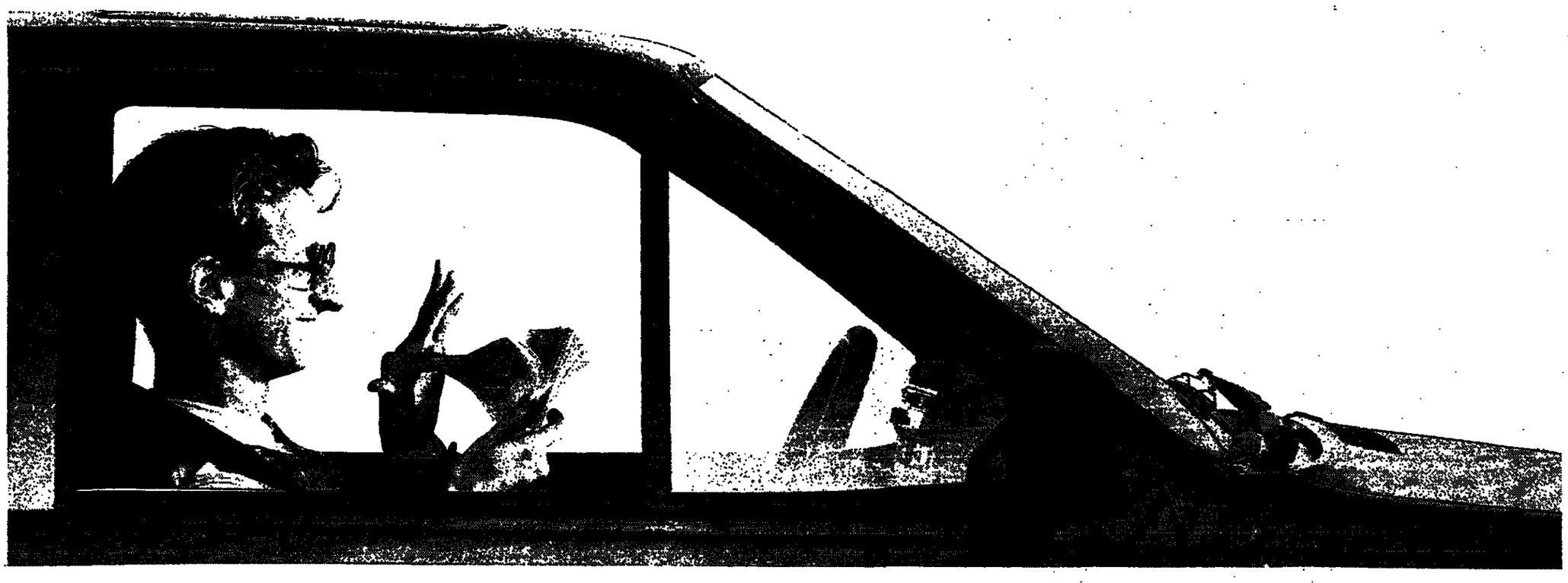
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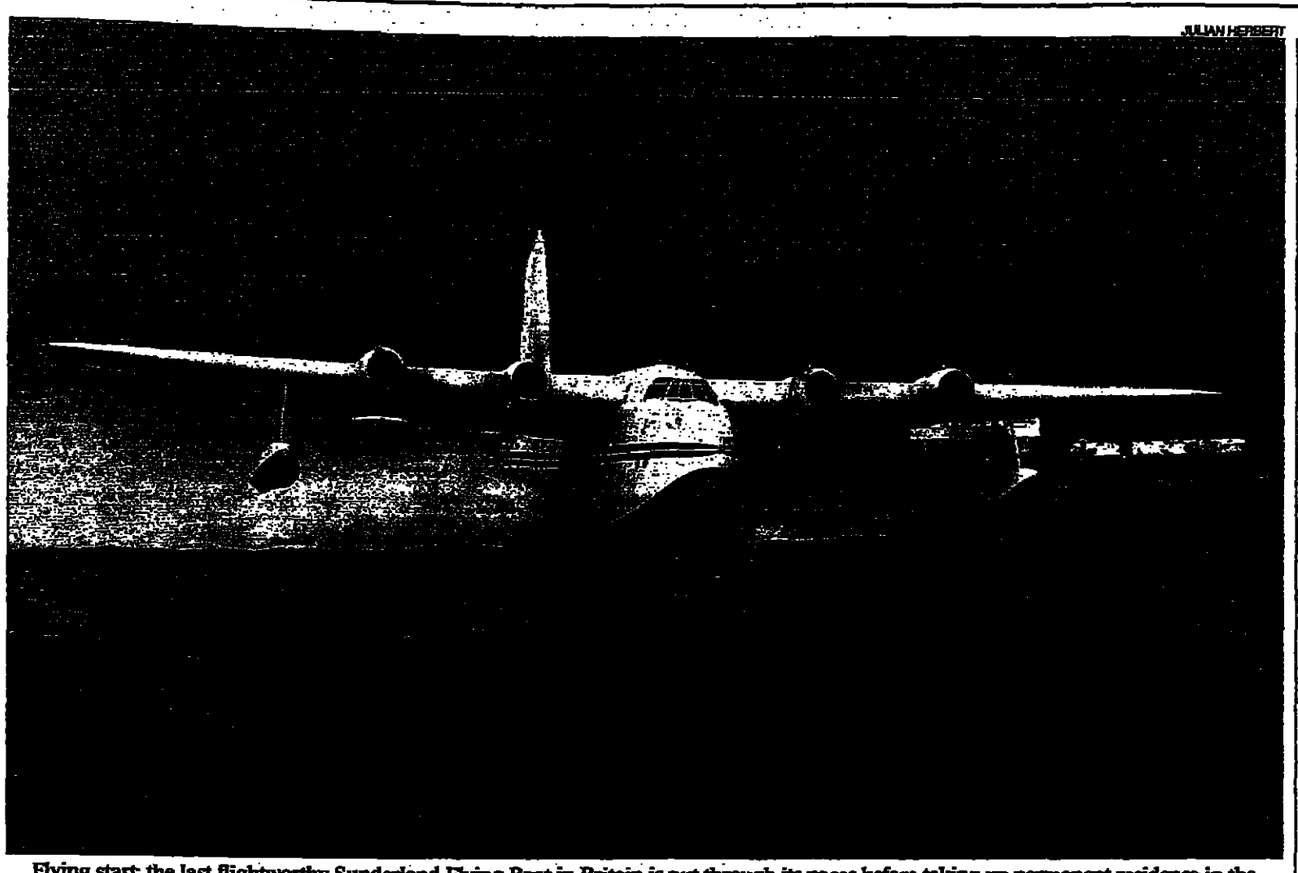
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JULIAN HERBERT

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THE TIMES WORLD CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

By Raymond Keene
Chess Correspondent

GARRY Kasparov loves to sacrifice his queen. In the game that follows, Black was surprised by White's 23rd move Qxd7 and in the final position he resigned rather than face the ignominy of 25 ... g6 26 Rxd7 Ba6 27 Bxc6 Qxc6 28 Rxf7 mate.

White: Garry Kasparov
Black: Anatoly Karpov
World Championship, Moscow 1985 (game 11)

Nimzo-Indian defence

1	d4	Nf6
2	c4	e6
3	Nc3	Bb4
4	Nf3	0-0
5	Bg5	c5
6	e3	cxd4
7	exd4	h6
8	Bh4	d5
9	Rc1	dxc4
10	Bxc4	Nc6
11	0-0	Be7
12	Re1	b6
13	a3	Bb7
14	Bg3	Rc8
15	Ba2	Bd6
16	d5	Nxd5
17	Nxd5	Bxg3
18	hxg3	exd5
19	Bxd5	Qf6
20	Qa4	Rid8
21	Rcd1	Rd7
22	Qg4	Rcd8
23	Qxd7	Rxd7
24	Re8+	Kh7
25	Be4+	Black resigns

Diagram of final position



British Championship

The British Championship takes place August 2-14 in Dundee. There are events for everybody lasting from one to 12 days. The current entry of 540 is considerably up on last year and there is every reason to expect a large entry. It is not too late to enter: further details may be obtained from the British Chess Federation on 0424 442500.

Reader's game

Responding to my request for games by *Times* readers against world champions, Stewart Reuben has also submitted the following game against the only American world champion this century. It was played in a match where Mr Reuben had to pay $1 for every game lost but would receive $10 for a victory. As he remarks: "How cheap to play against Bobby Fischer for only $1. Now I wouldn't hesitate to pay £100."

White: Bobby Fischer
Black: Stewart Reuben
Manhattan Chess Club, 1963

Sicilian defence

1	e4	c5
2	Nf3	Nc6
3	d4	cxd4
4	Nxd4	g6
5	Be3	Bg7
6	Nc3	Nf6
7	Bc4	0-0
8	Bb3	a6
9	f4	b5
10	f5	b4
11	Nd5	Nxe4
12	hxg6	hxg6
13	Qg4	e6
14	Qh3	f5
15	0-0-0	Na5
16	Qh7+	Kf7
17	Rh6	Nxb3+
18	axb3	Rh8
19	Qxg6+	Kg8
20	Rxh8+	Kxh8
21	Rh1+	Kg8
22	Rh7	Of8
23	Bh6	Black resigns

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Prisoner fled Group 4 jail dressed as girl

By Robin Young

A PRISONER at The Wolds remand centre, a private jail run by the Group 4 security company, escaped by dressing up in his girl friend's clothes, a court was told yesterday. He was recaptured only when he returned as a visitor two days later.

Amanda Ginsburg, for the prosecution, had confessed to Hull Crown Court that she was baffled as to how Craig Renshaw had broken out of The Wolds last January.

Bob Manning, for the defence, revealed the secret: "He simply borrowed his girl friend's hat, earrings, and managed to change into the dress that she had been wearing. She also had leggings, so she was able to leave the jail. He then quite simply walked out of The Wolds remand centre."

Dressed in Amanda Kirk's clothes, Renshaw had sauntered past the Group 4 prison officers at the centre at Everthorpe, North Humberside, without being challenged. He was, Mr Manning said, amazed at his own success.

At the time of his escape Renshaw, 24, from Sheffield, had been on remand on charges of possessing drugs and assaulting a police officer.

During the visit, Miss Kirk and Renshaw talked for more than an hour. Mrs Ginsburg said: "A female prison officer last remembers seeing Renshaw at 3.06pm but cannot recall where he went afterwards. By 5.30pm Renshaw could not be accounted for."

The next time prison officers saw him was when he returned to the prison two days later, posing as a visitor.

Mr Manning said Miss Kirk, who was three months pregnant, had been worried about addicts who were using her home to take drugs. "She was in a distressed state and relayed what could best be described as a horror story. She begged this defendant to help her. The defendant foolishly and stupidly decided to help." Renshaw had said he did not expect to get away. "He was astonished that he was able to walk out of the centre dressed as a woman without being confronted," Mr Manning said.

He asked the judge not to treat Renshaw as a prisoner making a bid for freedom.

Renshaw, who was given two years' probation at Sheffield Crown Court last March after pleading guilty to the offences he had been remanded for, was sentenced to six months in prison for his 48 hours of freedom.

Peter Heppel QC, the recorder, said Renshaw had abused privileges at The Wolds. He added: "I take the view that only a custodial sentence can be justified, but bearing in mind all that I have heard and read, I will make it as short as possible."

☐ Police and firemen went to the rescue of Group 4 yesterday when a security guard delivering cash at East Kilbride, Strathclyde, accidentally set fire to one of its vans when he knocked a metal plate on to the battery terminals. The cash — "a few thousand pounds" — was undamaged, but the van had to be towed away.

Prison staff excluded from bids

By Ian Murray

ONLY private companies will be allowed to bid to run a new prison at Doncaster, despite staff at Strangeways this week winning a contract to manage the rebuilt Manchester prison.

Derek Lewis, director-general of the prison service, defended the decision yesterday, saying that Doncaster would have no established staff or management.

He would not accept criticism about the first privatised jail at The Wolds on Humberside, which is run by Group 4. "There is a great deal about The Wolds we are very pleased with," he said.

"Difficulties with drugs and violence have been experienced but those are regrettably prevalent in many parts of the prison service. We and Group 4 are working hard to deal with those problems. There are some things we would like to see improve at The Wolds but that is true of the entire prison service."

Strangeways staff intend to introduce a model regime at the prison, which experienced serious rioting in 1990. Inmates will leave their cells for 14 hours a day and will work 35 hours a week. Each cell will have a toilet or adjoin one.

Smokers back ban in restaurants

By Robin Young

MORE than half the population thinks smoking should be banned in restaurants, according to a MORI survey for the Health Education Authority.

In the survey, carried out last year but yet to be published, 51 per cent of respondents favoured a complete ban. Only 3 per cent said that customers should be free to smoke wherever they wished in restaurants. Statistically, this means that a majority of smokers accepted the need for regulation. Forty five per cent of respondents thought there should be designated no-smoking areas.

Most restaurants still allow patrons to light up when and where they wish, although increasing numbers restrict smoking in some way.

Karen Williams of the anti-smoking pressure group Action on Smoking and Health said yesterday that the government would eventually have to legislate to control smoking in restaurants. Legislation has been introduced in France and several other European countries, while in America some cities have attempted to ban smoking in restaurants.

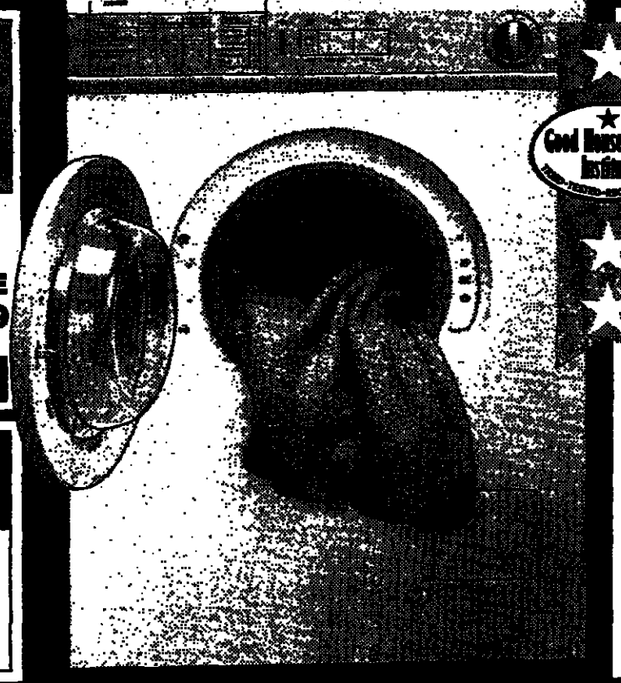
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Girls in cathedral choirs are not sweet music to the purists

By Ruth Gledhill
Religion Correspondent

A trend for cathedrals to introduce girl choristers is causing disharmony among Church of England music lovers

PLANS to bring girl choristers into Britain's cathedrals is splitting the Church of England's music community between traditionalists and progressives. Opponents argue against girls' choirs on grounds of tradition and sexual rivalry.

Resignations are threatened from the Friends of Cathedral Music, a charity which grants thousands of pounds each year to cathedral choirs and which gave £4,000 to Salisbury's girls' choir last year.

Salisbury was the first to recruit for a separate girls' choir, two years ago. Bristol cathedral will start a girls' choir in October, Wells in 1994 and Exeter the following year.

Roger Tucker, spokesman for the Friends, said: "While the controversy may be seen as motivated by male chauvinism, in reality it is one of traditional aesthetics."

Traditionalists argue that girls' voices mature later and do not produce the quality of sound intended by the composers. They claim boys at that age are sensitive to rivalry between the sexes and will be put off singing if girls are allowed in. They also fear that girls' choirs will lead to mixed choirs.

Peter Giles, senior lay clerk at Canterbury cathedral and a leading authority on the counter-tenor method, accused the society of denying a voice to traditionalists. He said: "Many members like myself are contemplating leaving the Friends."

David Flood, organist at Canterbury, said: "Bringing girls in might put boys off." Advocates cite recent performances by Salisbury's girls on BBC Radio 3 as proof that they can be as good. Canon Colin Semper, a member of the Archbishops' Commission on Church Music, said: "I feel it is morally reprehensible not to offer the same training opportunities to girls as to boys."

The Very Rev Richard Lewis, Dean of Wells, said: "The mythology that girls' voices are totally different from and can never be like boys' voices has been exploded." Harry Bramma, director of the Royal School of Church Music at Croydon, Surrey, said anyone who claimed there was no difference in the sound of girls and boys "had cloth ears".

Martin Neary, organist and master of the choristers at Westminster Abbey, which has a school of 36 boys, says it is unlikely to start a girls' choir

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TED BATH



Opening notes: girl choristers at Salisbury breaking a 900-year-old tradition in 1991

Credo

Trampling on a moral freedom

Tom Wright

IN the centre of Oxford stands the Radcliffe Camera, the most photogenic part of the Bodleian Library. Old prints show it surrounded by high, forbidding railings but, two generations ago, the railings came down, to be replaced by polite little notices requesting that one should not walk on the grass.

For a while they were mostly obeyed. Then tourists and tramps began to invade the sacred turf. Walk? They ate, drank, sang and slept on it. The soil was bare now, and work in the library difficult.

The authorities finally took action. We now have new grass, but also, alas, a new fence. As a college chaplain in Oxford these past seven years, I have often been struck by the obvious ironic parallel. The high moral fences of a previous generation disappeared, replaced by a general sense that people knew how to behave. Most did, more or less. But the generation of the 1960s and 1970s ignored the polite notices, becoming the tramps and tourists of the moral sphere. The grass wore thin. "Freedom" meant freedom for the strong to hurt the weak. So we now have new fences.



Can't rely on common decency any more? Very well, we'll have codes of practice, consultative panels and careful definitions of sexual harassment. The fences become internalised: suspicion of motives is the rule, not the exception. Grass inside these fences looks suspiciously synthetic.

Actually, I'd rather have new faces than the human debris that results from spurious "freedom". Show me six depressed students, and I'll show you at least three broken families.

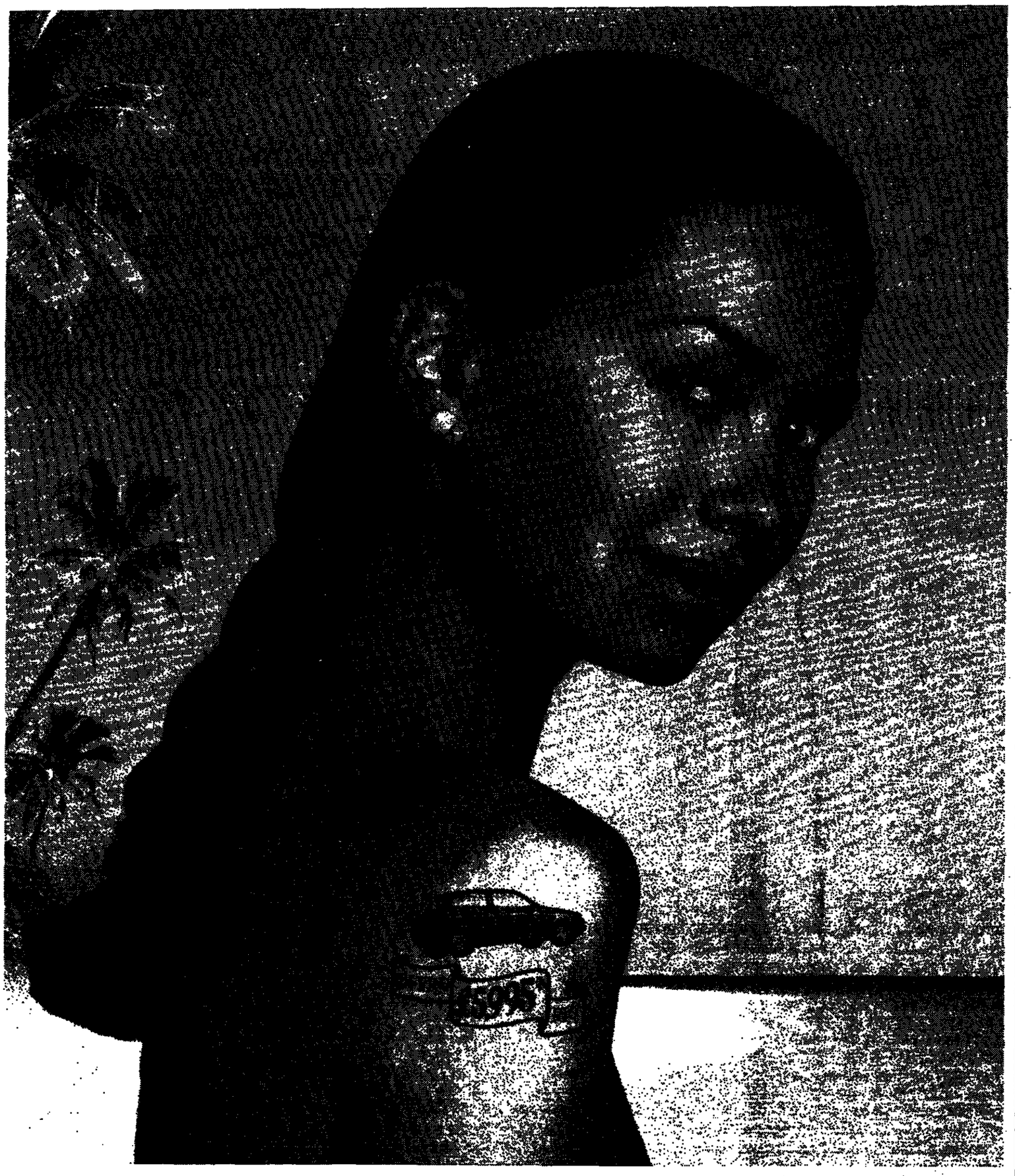
"Now they've left home they won't feel it so much." Tell that to Jane, who thinks it was all her fault; to John, who sobs his heart out when he realises he doesn't have a home any more. If there is pressure here, much of it is imported. They bring it with them. So we put up fences, not to create a new society but to limit damage.

The current fuss about single parents represents, I think, one small tip of the same huge iceberg. Of course some marriages are better ended; of course some lone parents manage heroically. But we don't need an expensive survey to tell us that children with two parents generally adjust more easily to life than children with one, and still more than children who are blackmailed by both parents for support in their emotional battle. But what should we do? Hurriedly put up lots of fences? Insist on good old-fashioned "family values"?

The only full answer is to treat human beings as human beings. We know in our bones that, when we face another human being we are in the presence of something precious, fragile, powerful and extremely vulnerable.

Fences cannot protect it; lack of fences cannot prevent it. But we can cultivate it, and the best way is to recognise that what we see in this person is actually a reflection of the true God, wounded, grieving, dying, and thus also healing.

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Reluctant judge backs woman's deportation

THE mother of four children who have spent all their lives in England plans to lodge an urgent appeal after failing in the High Court to block a Home Office order deporting her to Pakistan.

The Home Office indicated in court that steps to deport her would not be started until after an appeal.

The judge told Naheed Ejaz, 28, that he was reluctant to make the ruling, which could produce "very considerable hardship", and urged that she be granted legal aid to appeal against his decision.

Mrs Ejaz, who has been settled in this country for more than eight years, was declared an illegal immigrant because her husband, Arshad Iqbal, deceived the authorities to obtain British nationality.

Mr Justice Hutchison ruled yesterday that Kenneth Baker, who was then home secretary, had no other choice in January last year than to declare Mrs Ejaz's naturalisation as a British citizen a nullity because of her husband's action.

The judge rejected a claim on behalf of Mrs Ejaz, of Bracknell, Berkshire, that she could not be deprived of her citizenship under the provisions of the British Nationality Act 1981 until her case had been considered by a committee of enquiry.

Mrs Ejaz said after the hearing: "We are going to the appeal court and that is where our hope really lies. I was not disappointed at all today — I was quite prepared for the worst."

Mrs Ejaz was born in Pakistan and became a UK citizen in June 1990 on the basis of her marriage in 1983 to her now estranged husband. He was arrested in June 1991 and deported after immigration officials accused him of obtaining a British passport by impersonating a UK citizen.

Mrs Ejaz says she did not know of the deception and was herself deceived. The Home Office disputes her claim.

What will happen to Mrs Ejaz's two girls and two boys, aged eight, six, five and one, in the event of her deportation remains unclear. Mrs Ejaz says she would rather leave them in care in the UK than take them back to Pakistan, where she would have no resources to look after them.

Lonely father took boy

A man who kidnapped the grandson of a millionaire friend because he missed his own children was jailed for nine months yesterday at Knightsbridge Crown Court, central London.

Andreas Valinakas, 50, of Shepherds Bush, west London, admitting taking 16-month-old Constantine Metcalf, grandson of the shipping magnate Constantine Georgopoulos, in April. The baby was recovered unhurt.

Wife shot

Brian Medcalf, 51, who shot his wife Belinda, 29, at Watton, Norfolk, after she confessed to an affair with a policeman friend, was jailed for four years at Norwich after admitting manslaughter.

Plea ignored

Two killers who shot a man as he knelt pleading for his life were cleared of murder but convicted of manslaughter by a jury at Stafford Crown Court. Martin Felton, 31, and Adrian Walker, 28, from the West Midlands, were jailed for eight years.

Club protest

Night-club owners in Glasgow are to take the council to court because they say their profits have been hit by restrictions on opening times designed to curb violence in the city centre.

999 repeat

Three boys had to be rescued after copying an episode of the BBC programme *999* and getting trapped half a mile along a narrow drainage pipe.

Guides arrest

Twelve teenage Ranger Guides apprehended a thief who tried to steal £300 from a restaurant in York by sitting and standing on him.

Referee hurt

A football referee, Stuart Mills, suffered a broken leg after an attack by a spectator during a match in Reading.

Old master

At the age of 70, Les Kempster, of Crawley, Sussex, bowled out every player in a cricket team for 34 runs.

Clarke hints at a wider range of VAT targets

BY JONATHAN PRYNN

■ The Chancellor denied prescription rumours at Christchurch but left the door open to other revenue measures

KENNETH Clarke yesterday left the door open to widening the scope of VAT as he reassured pensioners that the government had no intention of introducing prescription charges for them.

On a Christchurch by-election visit, the Chancellor of the Exchequer defended the Budget decision to impose VAT on fuel and power bills. He hinted that consideration could be given to applying VAT to other goods and services. He had "always thought it anomalous" that Britain had "such a narrow VAT base".

John Major, however, indicated that Mr Clarke's need to raise taxes may not be as pressing as expected. Speaking in Lincolnshire, the prime minister declared the recession officially over and said the country was faced with a "glorious opportunity". He added that growth forecasts were bigger than previously imagined.

Mr Clarke tried to claw back for the Tory party the once loyal but now waivering pensioner vote with an explicit commitment not to make pensioners pay for prescriptions or overnight stays in hospitals.

The emphatic denial from the Chancellor, who also pledged that the government would increase the state pension in line with inflation, nails two persistent rumours about possible welfare cuts that have done damage to the Tory campaign for the seat.

Mr Clarke's comments in a television interview last month that hospital and pensioner prescription charges were "not on" had not stopped Labour and the Liberal Democrats from continuing to make political capital out of the rumours.

Mr Clarke, speaking at Christchurch in support of the Conservative candidate Rob Hayward, said there was "absolutely no question" of imposing prescription charges for pensioners and ridiculed hospital bed charging as "an administrative nightmare" that had been rejected by the government in the past. He dismissed the rumours as "two old chestnuts" that filled him with "a certain inner weariness".

The Chancellor's commitment was rejected by Harriet Harman, the shadow Treasury secretary, who was also in Christchurch yesterday. She asked why voters should believe Mr Clarke's promises when "the prime minister ruled out VAT on gas and electricity bills before the last general election and then went ahead and did it". What ministers said before elections they "cynically disregarded" once elections were out of the way, she said.

Mr Clarke would not be drawn on other rumoured cuts in welfare spending but did indicate that he was sceptical about spiralling claims for invalidity benefits. He also gave his firm backing to the imposition of VAT on fuel which has angered many former Tory Party supporters in the constituency. In a further bid to reassure the third of the Christchurch population that is over 60, he said: "There is no question of pensioners being unable to turn on their heating unless they are frightened by the opposition's inaccurate and irresponsible scare mongering." He said the old were "experienced voters" who realised the biggest threat to their standard of living came from soaring inflation.

Mr Clarke paid tribute to his predecessor, Norman Lamont, who was pilloried for a throwaway comment in the May Newbury by-election campaign, when he said he regretted *rien* about the conduct of economic policy. Mr Clarke said the former Chancellor, who sarcastically congratulated his successor for the encouraging economic indicators in the Commons on Thursday, "can quite rightly look with some pleasure on the economic revival".

□ 1992 general election: R. J. Adley (C) 36,627; Rev D. Bussey (LD) 13,612; A Lloyd (Lab) 6,997; J. Barratt (NLP) 243; A. Wareham (CRA) 175. Conservative majority 23,015.

JOHN BEASLEY



Ready: Rob Hayward prepares for a rugby game

Computers fight benefit fraud

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY

HIGH-technology measures will be used increasingly in an attempt to break a powerful campaign of organised social security fraud which is costing the taxpayer up to £80 million a year.

Alistair Burt, the social security minister, yesterday admitted that fraud investigators face "sophisticated and brazen" fraudsters. But the government would be devising "comprehensive and ambitious" programmes to counter fraud rackets developed by a "worrying element in the criminal fraternity".

Outlining a series of new anti-fraud techniques, Mr Burt said: "Technology plays a crucial role." A new scheme, under which benefit order books are computer-coded to prevent misuse, was "particularly exciting" and would be extended following successful trials in London.

Such computerised techniques were the key to fraud prevention, which formed the heart of the government's campaign to wipe out £1 billion of benefit fraud each year.

During a Commons debate on social security fraud, the minister hailed the production of a watermarked Post Office order book which will make forgery more difficult. "We shall continue to make the best use of design and print technology introducing — without warning — new subtle, design changes from time to time," he said.

Mr Burt said that he had also commissioned a study into setting up a central register of housing benefit claimants in a bid to prevent multiple claims. He called on the public to be vigilant in detecting and reporting social security fraud, which he stressed was costing each working person £50 a year.

"I also have a message for people who know someone else who is committing fraud. *If you know someone who is* abusing the system, it is you, the taxpayer, who is having to foot the bill, not the Chancellor, social security secretary or the government, but the ordinary law-abiding citizen of this country."

An extra £10 million a year is being provided for the fraud department of the Benefits Agency, adding 300 staff to the 3,000 currently employed.

Resolutions show party coolness on Smith reforms

BY JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Smith's attempts to get his party voting reforms through the Labour conference in September could be blocked by widespread opposition from constituency parties.

Of the 40 conference motions on links between the party and the trade unions, only seven support the Labour leader's proposals for one member one vote (Omov) in choosing parliamentary candidates. While a handful of the resolutions have been put in by trade unions, most have come from constituencies. Resolutions from two of the largest unions, the transport workers (TGWU) and the GMB general union, reflect their own conference decisions to oppose Mr Smith's position. These two unions alone hold about a quarter of the conference vote.

Constituency parties will this year hold 30 per cent of the conference vote — up from 10 per cent last year — against the unions' 70 per cent. Mr Smith needs to secure at least two thirds of the constituency vote. If some of the smaller unions, now wavering, refuse to back him, constituency support could prove crucial.



Smith: opposed by many constituencies

The recent consultation process showed that only about half of the constituencies supported either pure Omov or Mr Smith's variation, "levy plus" (where union members who pay the political levy will be able to pay a reduced membership fee), agreed by the trade union links review committee this week.

Party sources pointed out yesterday that under half the constituencies had replied to the questionnaire and these were likely to be those most opposed to the plan. A senior party official argued that the conference resolutions had been submitted before Mr Smith made his position clear this week.

But he conceded that many party members still needed to be convinced before switching sides in the debate. "There is plenty of opportunity for John Smith to persuade them between now and the conference," the official said.

Although resolutions can be amended before August 13, party sources expect most of the tough negotiating to start in September in an attempt to win both trade unionists and party members over to Omov.

Resolutions from the key trade unions reflect their annual conference decisions, although the wording still suggests some room for manoeuvre. The motion from the TGWU rejects any suggestion of "curtailing the trade union input into the decision-making procedures of the party". It says affiliated trade unions should retain an input in all stages of the selection of parliamentary candidates and leadership elections.

The GMB "supports the principle of one member one vote and calls for this principle to be extended to those who support the party through payment of the political levy." Levy-payers would vote through their unions, rather than as members of the party. However, GMB sources yesterday indicated that Mr Smith might get the union's backing if he moved slightly further on his "levy plus" proposal towards a register of Labour supporters.

The National Union of Public Employees' motion comes the nearest to Mr Smith's position. It calls for a register of union levy-payers "eligible to join the Labour party". The register would enable affiliated trade unionists living in each constituency to take part in parliamentary re-selections.

Nupe is part of the newly formed Unison public service union, which will hold about 7 per cent of the conference vote. The new union's deputy general secretary, Tom Sawyer is said to be trying to get the union to back Mr Smith.

While the TGWU and the GMB have declared their opposition to the deal thrashed out on Wednesday, some of the smaller unions appear to be reconsidering their position.

Labour puts weight behind Games bid

JOHN Smith toured Olympic sites in Manchester yesterday and pledged that a Labour government would honour all commitments if the city was awarded the 2000 Games.

"I look forward to seeing the opening ceremony as prime minister," the Labour leader said and added: "The Opposition is a hundred per cent behind the British bid for the Olympic Games.

"This means that we will not only use whatever influence is at our disposal to help persuade delegates to vote for Manchester, but we will also underwrite every commitment the government makes."

The prime minister has already pledged £50 million of government money to bolster Manchester's bid and has given it his active support.

Mr Smith, making his first tour of Olympic sites, said: "I think it was very important to come to Manchester at this crucial stage of the campaign to show our emphatic support."

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Bosnia aid mission left in disarray after pullout threat

■ **Despite pledges by donor nations for more funds for convoys, the UN refugees commissioner said there was a danger that relief efforts might grind to a halt**

THE international relief operation in Bosnia was yesterday plunged into confusion after the United Nations refugee commissioner spoke for the first time of withdrawal while donor nations promised an extra $100 million, enough to fund the aid convoys for a further three months.

Sadako Ogata, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, warned a Geneva meeting of 40 countries and organisations that the entire relief effort would soon "grind to a halt" without the extra money. She added: "Never have the obstacles and risks been so dreadful as during the last two months."

Mrs Ogata, who visited Sarajevo to assess the aid effort on Wednesday and gave a resolute pledge that the UN would remain in the city, repeated her condemnation of the political exploitation of aid and the attempt to hold up UN convoys. And she suggested that despite all her hopes, her organisation, now suffering a shortfall of $195 million (£131 million) had to contemplate the possibility of a pullout — though her special envoy to former Yugoslavia said that this was not a serious option.

Lord Owen, the European Community negotiator, insisted that "the humanitarian effort is not being used and should not ever be used as a lever within the negotiating process. The justification for humanitarian aid and relief stands on its own."

He said the common enemy was the coming winter. Even if a peace settlement could be achieved in the next two to six weeks, "the obstacles we will face in the coming winter will be massively greater."

A spokesman for his office said that Lord Owen and Thorvald Stoltenberg, the UN negotiator, agreed on the need to remain in Bosnia. But they realised there was a limit to the harassment the aid effort could tolerate, and the time might come when conditions became impossible.

The spokesman for Lord Owen rejected criticism of the European Community negotiator made by the European Parliament, which accused him of not acting in line with decisons taken by the Council of Ministers and the Strasbourg parliament.

The resolution expressed alarm at what it called pressures Lord Owen was said to have put on the Bosnian government to agree a plan proposed by the Serb and Croat leaders for the division of Bosnia into three separate ethnic states. Lord Owen's office denied any such pressure. The spokesman said the Serb proposals had been neither endorsed nor recommended by Lord Owen and Mr Stoltenberg. Instead, they had attempted to clarify the details, and modify them to include the principles contained in the former Vance-Owen peace plan.

The spokesman strongly rejected accusations made by the Bosnian ambassador to the United Nations that the two negotiators were threatening to withdraw from Bosnia; such proposals existed only in the ambassador's mind.

Mrs Ogata also denied yesterday that the UN had been using aid deliveries to gain leverage in the peace talks. "I don't manipulate nor like to be manipulated," she said. "I have said many times that humanitarian action cannot and must not be a substitute for decisive political action."

Donor countries meeting in Geneva yesterday promised to give $104.3 million for all UN agencies, of which the UNHCR would receive £63.5 million. The EC promised $32.8 million to the high commissioner, the largest donation. The Netherlands pledged $15 million. The money was in addition to the $26.1 raised in the two days before the conference.

Earlier in the week UN officials said they had virtually no food or money left to continue the humanitarian convoys, and Mrs Ogata warned that she had supplies left for only three weeks.



Exchange of views: Thorvald Stoltenberg, the UN negotiator, and Sadako Ogata, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, holding their own talks before the Geneva meeting of the humanitarian concerns working party



Owen: "aid should not be used as a lever"

Yugoslav arms sent to Mafia

FROM REUTER IN ROME

WEAPONS for the Mafia are pouring into Italy from the former Yugoslavia and eastern Germany, raising fears that clans are arming for a war of succession to their captured Godfather, Italy's top anti-Mafia investigator said yesterday.

Bruno Siclari, the chief prosecutor, acknowledged that the traffic was virtually impossible to stop and said he was deeply worried about the type of weapons reaching the Mafia, which included rocket launchers and bazookas as well as light arms. "The traffic is intense and the quantities involved on some occasions gives real cause for concern," Signor Siclari, head of Italy's National Anti-Mafia Directorate, said.

The former East Germany, where Soviet forces stockpiled huge quantities of arms, and the former Yugoslavia had replaced countries of the Middle East as the chief markets for Mafia purchases. In the past few weeks police have seized 5,000 weapons, tons of explosives and 600,000 rounds of ammunition.

Opening of bridge threatens to renew conflict in Croatia

BY JOEL BRAND IN SPLIT AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

The presidents of Serbia and Croatia are meeting in Geneva today to discuss the ending of the Bosnian war, as Croatia drew closer to renewed conflict with Serbia.

President Milosevic and his Croatian counterpart, Franjo Tudjman, will hold talks with mediators, Lord Owen and Thorvald Stoltenberg, in an attempt to settle their differences on Bosnia.

Yesterday, Serbs from the Krajina enclave signed an agreement to avert a further war in Croatia over the opening of two key Croatian installations. Earlier in the day, however, Serb gunners had stepped up attacks on coastal areas of Croatia, and Dr Tudjman rejected a United Nations Security Council request to cancel this weekend's opening of the strategic Maslenica bridge and Zemunic airport, near Zadar.

Since the announcement of the openings, Serbs have launched several heavy artillery attacks on Croatian towns, which has been seen as a warning of what could follow tomorrow's scheduled opening. Milan Babic, the leader of the Serb enclave of Krajina, told a senior United Nations official on Tuesday that the planned opening would be considered an "aggression" on their quasi-state and would be responded to "by firing artillery at them".

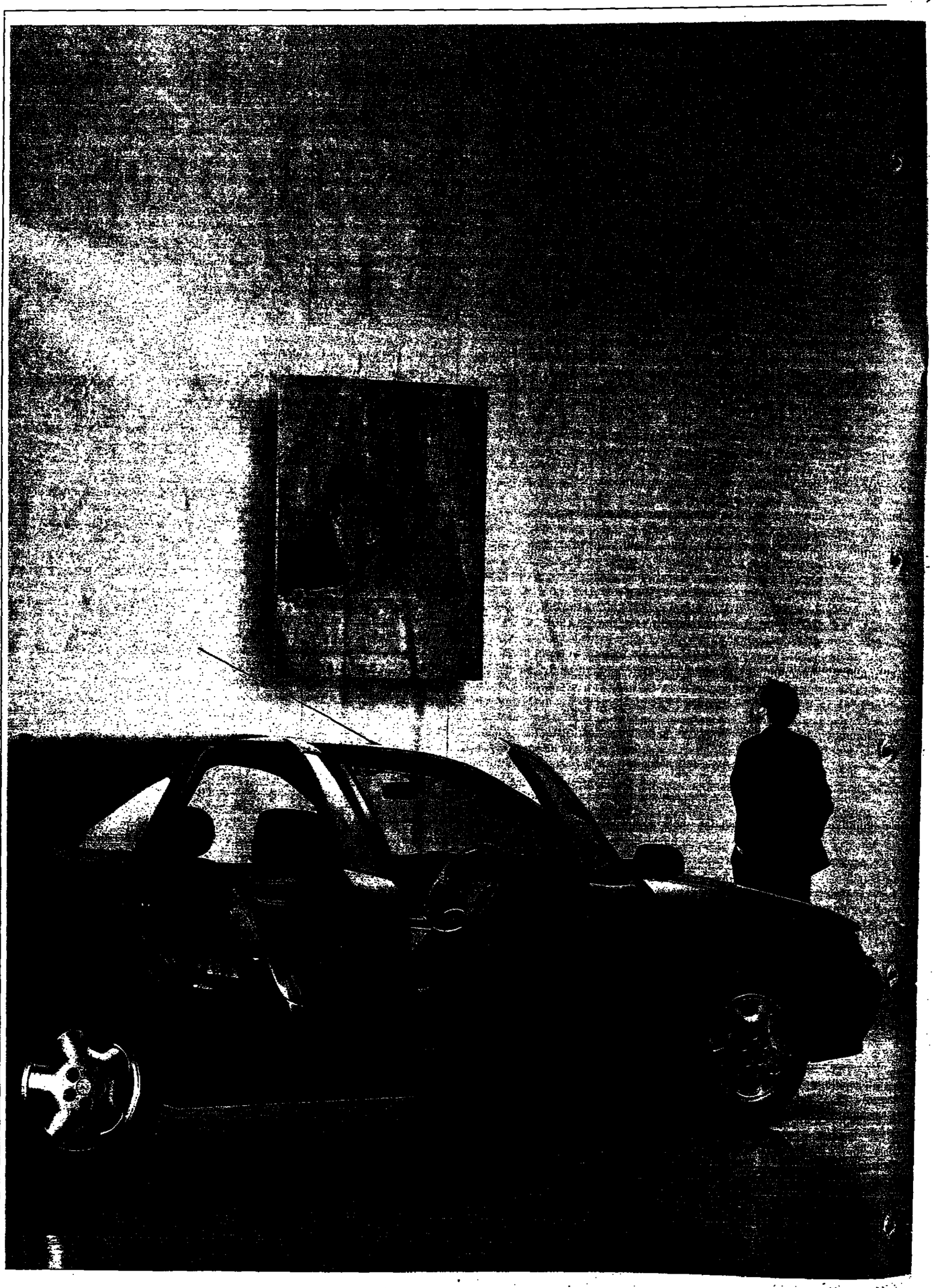
Several coastal towns were hit by artillery shells and rockets fired from Croatian Serb positions in occupied parts of the former-Yugoslav republic. State-run Croatian radio said 10 rockets hit the Adriatic resort-town of Sibenik yesterday, killing two people and wounding two others. Several other areas came under sporadic rebel Serb fire, according to the UN in Zagreb. The UN also reported that its military observers in another coastal town, Benkovac, had been in bomb shelters for several hours because of frequent shelling.

The areas from which the attacks are coming were seized by the rebels and the Yugoslav National Army in 1991. In mid-1992 a UN peacekeeping force ostensibly took control of the areas to disarm the rebels, ensure their rights, and re-establish Croatian sovereignty within the republic's legal borders. By all accounts the 14,000-strong force has been unable to fully accomplish any of its goals. To many Croatians, these areas — which are under UN auspices — appear to be slipping away from them.

The opening of the bridge and airport, both of which were retaken from rebel forces during a January offensive, is a sign of Croatia's growing impatience with the UN and the widespread belief that the country can be made whole only through military action. There has been a frenzy of diplomatic activity, focused on pressuring President Tudjman to cancel tomorrow's opening in the interest of avoiding the largescale military confrontation that many expect is likely to follow.

"He is going to open the bridge in spite of the statements by the security council and all the protests," said Vesna Skare, a presidential spokeswoman.

The 825-ft pontoon bridge, which will be put in place today, will be the only road link between the south of Croatia and the north. About 40 accredited ambassadors to Croatia have been invited to the bridge opening ceremony, but the foreign ministry was unable to say how many had accepted the invitation. European Community ambassadors are reported to have declined to attend.



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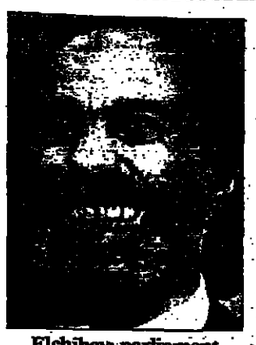
Deposed president 'plotted to kill' new Baku leader

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN MOSCOW

HEIDAR Aliyev, the acting Azerbaijani head of state, claimed yesterday that supporters of President Elchibey had plotted to assassinate him. Mr Elchibey was driven from Baku, the republic's capital, by a military rebellion last month and the parliament there met yesterday to discuss his impeachment.

His powers have already been taken over by Mr Aliyev, the former communist ruler of Azerbaijan. Mr Aliyev gave no details of the alleged attempt to kill him and it was immediately denied by representatives of Mr Elchibey's Popular Front, who repeated their promise to use only political means in the struggle against Mr Aliyev and Surat Husseinov, the prime minister, who led last month's rebellion.

Western observers are treating Mr Aliyev's claim with considerable scepticism, not least because, as a long-standing former NKVD and KGB officer, he has doubtless had long experience in the political uses of misinformation. There are fears that his claim could be both a tool to help push the impeachment of Mr Elchibey through parliament and intended to justify a general state repression of the Popular Front.



Elchibey: parliament debating impeachment

Popular Front-dominated local authorities in several districts of Baku have refused to co-operate with what they say is the illegal new government. During last month's rebellion, Popular Front leaders throughout Azerbaijan were arrested and a small number were reportedly killed. There were grenade attacks on Popular Front offices in Baku, and front demonstrations in the capital have been broken up by police.

As rebel troops approached Baku, Mr Elchibey fled to his home village in the Azerbaijani enclave of Nakhichevan. Parliament stripped him of his executive powers, but he insists he is still the legal president. He is recognised as such by the West, which has increasing oil interests in Azerbaijan and, most importantly, by Turkey, Azerbaijan's closest ally. This is a severe diplomatic embarrassment for the new Baku government, which has evidently decided that it must remove Mr Elchibey at all costs. It is not clear, however, how it will react if he refuses to accept the expected parliamentary vote.

The move to impeach him, came after a parliamentary commission, dominated by supporters of the new government, announced that he bore political responsibility for the June 4 armed attempt by government troops to disband Colonel Husseinov's force in Gyandzha, Azerbaijan's second city. More than 70 people were killed in the fighting and the resulting defeat of the government troops led to rebellion sweeping across thr country.

Senior officials of the deposed Popular Front government insist that they were forced to try to disband Colonel Husseinov's unit because they had reliable information that he was in any case planning a coup with the help of weapons acquired from Russia.

☐ **Autonomy poll:** The Russian population of the north-east Estonian town of Narva began to vote yesterday in a referendum on autonomy for the region. The referendum, called by the municipal authorities, is in response to Estonian legislation allegedly discriminating against local Russians.

It has raised fears in Estonia of secession and civil war, but Narva was reported to be quiet yesterday, with no big demonstrations or threats of violence. Many Russians apparently oppose the poll.



Tragedy recalled: a war veteran taking part in the first official commemoration in France of the fatal roundup in the Vélodrome d'Hiver stadium of 13,000 Jews in 1942

Moscow nuclear weapons warning to Kiev

FROM REUTER IN MOSCOW

RUSSIA warned Ukraine yesterday against declaring itself a nuclear state, saying that such a move could damage international disarmament.

A foreign ministry statement, laced with sarcasm and issued on behalf of the Kremlin leadership, denounced a Ukrainian parliamentary decision to proclaim former Soviet weapons on its territory national property. It said any further step to proclaim nuclear status could cause accidents like the 1986 Chernobyl disaster.

"Where is this policy leading? What is it aimed at? Perhaps Ukraine is under threat and is preparing for nuclear war?" said the statement, read out by Sergei Yastrzhembsky, the ministry spokesman.

The Moscow daily newspaper *Izvestia* meanwhile reported yesterday that technicians had begun dismantling ten of the 176 missiles deployed in Ukrainian silos for transfer to Russia. However, it added that the warheads removed from SS19 rockets would be held in Ukraine pending the outcome of the debate on disarmament in the former Soviet republic. The Ukrainian defence ministry confirmed that the process of taking the missiles apart had begun.

The Ukrainian parliament has yet to approve the Start 1 and non-proliferation treaties under which it is to give up 1,800 warheads, its share of the former Soviet arsenal.

The reference to Chernobyl was certain to upset officials in Kiev. Ukraine says the disaster led to 8,000 deaths and it still spends 11 per cent of the national budget on its aftermath. Parliament in Kiev has not decided when to resume debate on the disarmament treaties. Given the present mood, deputies would almost certainly vote to keep some of the more modern weapons, probably 46 SS24 missiles. President Kravchuk visited the missile sites last week and repeated calls for parliament to ratify the pacts. However, he still favours declaring the weapons national property as a compromise to invoking temporary nuclear status.



Kravchuk: wants arms declared Kiev property

Georgian assault on rebels

FROM REUTER IN TBILISI

GEORGIAN forces said yesterday that they had launched a big push against separatists in the Black Sea province of Abkhazia after the rebels had rejected an ultimatum to pull back from two villages.

A Georgian army spokesman in the besieged regional capital of Sukhumi said that forces had begun a large-scale offensive to dislodge rebels from Shroma and Akhalsheni, and had seized some strategically important hills around Sukhumi.

The Abkhazian side quickly played down the scale of the Georgian assault. "We can speak about positional fighting around Shroma and Akhalsheni," an Abkhazian representative in Moscow said. "But we are not talking about a large-scale offensive." He said that he based his information on regular telephone contacts with the rebel stronghold of Gudauta.

The two villages are located in hills overlooking Sukhumi and have been used as rebel bases from which to launch artillery bombardments of the capital. The Georgian army says that more than 3,000 civilians and soldiers have been killed in fighting in the Black Sea region. The conflict erupted after Georgia sent in troops last August following moves towards autonomy in the area.

The forces of the Abkhazians, who comprise only 17 per cent of the population, hold most of the territory except Sukhumi and the nearby town of Ochamchira.

Woman's place is in a Russian joke

FROM ANNE MCELVOY IN MOSCOW

If a compendium of jokes about relations between the sexes published by *Rossiskaya Gazeta* is anything to go by, the brutal Soviet stereotypes of grasping women, cuckolded husbands and lecherous bosses still dominate Russian humour for all the social changes that have accompanied the recent political upheavals.

The liberal newspaper has produced a definitive collection of oft-told jokes in which the sex war looms large.

Adultery remains the commonest theme, reflecting its frequency in Russian society. Example: a lecturer sternly tells a group of sailors that they are the most promiscuous profession in Russia behind actors and sportsmen. One sailor objects: "I've been at sea for 20 years and never been unfaithful." His colleagues promptly attack him, shouting: "So it's your fault we've fallen behind the others. You are disgracing the fleet."

The rich variety of political jokes, so much a feature under communism, has diminished with the advent of elected leaders. Jokes about Brezhnev's stupidity, however, became such a genre that they have continued to be spawned long after his death. Democracy is less funny than dictatorship, it seems, although there is a whole new school of jokes about the venality which has swept the country since the introduction of the free market. Pavel: "Olga, I must confess to something very grave. I'm married." Olga: "Oh, how you frightened me. For a moment I thought your Mercedes had been stolen."

There is, however, a serious side to the newspaper's undertaking. In common with other liberal publications, it is devoting space to a fierce debate about gender roles in post-communist society.

In a piece entitled *It's a Woman's Life*, one columnist presents a bleak picture of the fate of her sisters. "I look at women and despair. Are they making it in politics, in business? No.

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Japan set to end 38 years of LDP's majority rule

FROM JOANNA PITMAN IN TOKYO

Japan is on the verge of political change. The ruling party seems certain to be forced into a coalition with one or more of the new minority parties after tomorrow's elections

JAPAN faces the prospect of a coalition government after general elections tomorrow which are likely to see a fundamental shift in political power after 38 years.

Few analysts expect the ruling Liberal Democratic party to emerge with anything like the strength it has enjoyed since 1955, and seems unlikely to be able to rule without the help of new parties whose true colours have yet to emerge.

With two campaigning days remaining, a candidate running for Sekai Shinto, an obscure party claiming reformist credentials, abandoned all pretence of a policy platform and took up position on top of his campaign bus, flanked by two young women wearing no more than a few square inches of fuschia pink fabric. As the three wiggled their hips to blasts of salsa music, a barber ran out of his shop, leaving a customer half shaven, to see what was going on. "Reform? Yup. I like the new parties. Get rid of the Liberal Democratic party, won't they?"

His customer, growling beneath a mass of shaving foam, took the opposite view. "Can't stand this political reform lark and all this carry-on with singing and shouting and what have you. Can you wonder people are tempted to stay at home with ear plugs on election day? Just let the LDP continue and allow us to get on with life."

Those who do bother to go to the polls tomorrow will probably consider their voting choice to be equally straightforward — either LDP or one of the reform parties, the latter decision turning on a whimsical choice between a pink bikini or a handsome face.

A baffling array of reformist parties has sprung up in the past month. Most of them have had trouble enunciating clear-cut policies. It is not surprising, therefore, that opinion polls have consistently concluded over the last week that the LDP will not lose its core support tomorrow.

In spite of its debilitating split a month ago, the LDP's campaign machinery remains formidable and the party appears to have lost little of its following in the rural areas, where one vote is worth almost three times its urban equivalent; rural constituencies have not been redrawn to reflect demographic change.

Over 60 per cent of the lower house seats are assigned to agricultural or semi-agricultural constituencies; the LDP has been looking after these voters for years, providing bridges, dams and new roads lined with hot water sprays to melt heavy snow. The locals have never seen anything wrong in a politician who has made good providing for those close to him.

This time, however, Japan is supposed to be on the verge of real political change, heralded by the end of LDP majority rule after 38 uninterrupted years of power. Rural voters have been bombarded for a month with media speculation on the benefits to the nation of a change in government.

The Japanese sense of nationhood is strong, but it still does not imply a willingness to sacrifice local interests for the benefit of Japan as a whole. Most newspapers are predicting that the ruling party will retain all 227 seats it held after parliament was dissoved on June 18 when more than 50 party members bolted to form or join new parties.

To command a government in the 511-seat lower house, the LDP will have either to win new seats of its own or to lure support from independent candidates. More likely, it will be forced to create a coalition with one or more minority opposition parties.

If the LDP does retain most of its seats as expected and comes out of the polls within reach of a coalition, a long process of horsetrading will begin. Policies and principles are likely to be buried beneath LDP offers of patronage.

The Democratic Socialist party, only three weeks ago fervently anti-LDP and pushing unreservedly for a change of government, has let it be known this week that it will consider LDP offers.

The LDP has put it about that it would be more interested in reaching a deal with the Japan New party, a year-old conservative group of former LDP members which is expected to win about 50 seats in combination with the tiny month-old Shinto Sakigake.

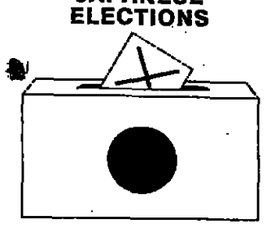
The perceived cleanliness of the Japan New party might help to restore the LDP's tarnished image but its leader has vowed he will not join it. His willingness to listen to possible LDP offers next week would test the depth of its reformist principles.

The other main reformist party, Shinseito, may also win 40-50 seats. This is led by Tsutomu Hata, the self-consciously populist former finance minister whose decision to join opposition parties in the no-confidence motion on June 18, triggered the dissolution of parliament.

The party's support, however has been shaky for two reasons. Firstly its image has suffered from the presence behind-the-scenes of Ichiro Ozawa, by reputation one of the kings of the LDP's money-under-the-table netherworld. Secondly, Shinseito has suffered from its eagerness to link up in a non-LDP coalition with the Socialist party, which still officially espouses such policies as support for North Korea, and abolition of the US-Japan security treaty.

The socialists will probably be the biggest losers tomorrow, now that the voters are being offered marginally more credible options. Polls indicate that they will lose between 40 and 70 of its 140 seats.

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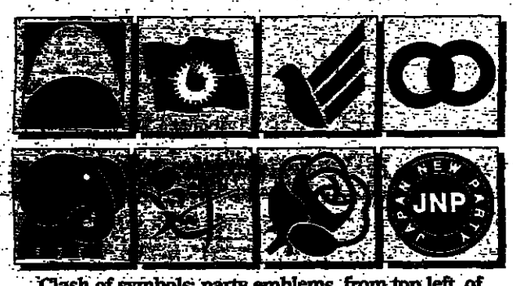


Guide to the parties

New groups are among the challengers

Liberal Democratic party: led by Kiichi Miyazawa. The LDP has held power since its formation in 1955 through the merger of two conservative parties. Thirty-eight years of uninterrupted power have entrenched it in the organs of government and among big business groups, although its legislative power since 1989 has been partly inhibited by its loss of control over the upper house. It has been plagued by corruption scandals and divided by internal rivalry.

Shinseito (Japan Renewal party): leader Tsutomu Hata. The party was formed a month ago by the rebel LDP members who brought down the government in a no-confidence motion. It is dedicated to ending LDP rule and to introducing electoral and political funding reforms.



Clash of symbols: party emblems, from top left, of Komeito, Communists, Social Democrats, and the Shaminren; and above, Liberal Democrats, Shinto Sakigake, Democratic Socialists, and New party

Japan New party: led by Morihiro Hosokawa, it was formed a year ago by a breakaway LDP group devoted to clean government and calling for a shift away from "one-party-rule". Mr Hosokawa is articulate and popular but has remained coy on specific policy, leaving options open. The New party has suggested it will "arrange a marriage with" Shinto Sakigake after the election.

Shinto Sakigake (New Harbinger party): leader Masayoshi Takemura. It was formed a month ago by ten LDP defectors who claimed they had been planning the move for a year. When pressed it appears to be close to the LDP on most important issues. It has been looking for coalition partners.

Komeito (Clean Government party): led by Koshiro Ishida, it was founded in 1964 by the Nichiren Buddhist sect, Soka Gakkai. Now theoretically independent of the religious movement, its support is still directly linked to the faithful. Broadly conservative in policy, Komeito has supported the LDP on important issues.

Democratic Socialist party: leader Keigo Ouchi. The party was formed in 1960 originally as an offshoot of the Socialist party. It has since drifted to the centre right and is generally relied on as an LDP ally.

Shaminren (United Social Democratic party): led by Satsuki Eda. It was formed in 1978 as another spin-off from the Socialist party, the Shaminren has espoused moderate reformist policies and is led by the charismatic, Oxford-educated son of a long-running dynastic political family. Shaminren would like to form a non-LDP coalition with the three newest parties.

Social Democratic party: leader Sadao Yamahana. Formerly the Socialists, this party has been the main opposition since the war. Its fortunes have suffered from repeated internal splits and defections fuelled by rivalry between the hardline socialists and the pragmatists who want fresh policies and would like to form a left-of-centre coalition government. The new reformist parties are challenging its supremacy as the leading opposition party.



Miyazawa: leader of the Liberal Democrats

Japan Communist party: leader Tetsuzo Fuwa. The party emerged legally for the first time in 1945 and achieved some success before being reduced to impotence in 1950 by the American Occupation's "red purge" and its own Moscow-dictated shift to a militant line. Today it still espouses Marxism. It is admired as the party least tainted by corruption because it draws its funds from individual donations.

'Shadow cabinet' begins its work



Watch committee: members of the preparatory working committee that will advise Peking on the transfer of Hong Kong to China in 1997 leaving the Great Hall of the People in Peking yesterday under the eye of a soldier

China insists on garrison for centre of Hong Kong

FROM JONATHAN BRAUDE IN HONG KONG

CHINA confirmed yesterday its determination to place its garrison headquarters in the centre of Hong Kong and to station troops in the urban area, despite longstanding Hong Kong fears of a visible Chinese military presence after Britain leaves in 1997.

A senior military official said the People's Liberation Army would set up its headquarters at the site of the British garrison command at HMS Tamar, in the heart of the city's financial district.

Xu Huizi, deputy chief of the Peking general staff, emphasised that China would follow the British military deployment, with troops in urban and rural areas of Hong Kong.

He was speaking at the inaugural meeting of China's preparatory working committee for Hong Kong, set up as a challenge to the authority of the British colonial administration after Chris Patten, the governor, put forward proposals for greater democracy in Hong Kong last year.

Although Qian Qichen, the Chinese foreign minister who chairs the new committee, has said that it would not become an alternative centre of power, or a "shadow cabinet" as it is regarded in Hong Kong, Chinese officials have made clear that its prime purpose will be to look at ways of setting up a post-1997 administration should Britain fail to tailor local arrangements to suit the Chinese in advance.

Britain has been trying to persuade China to agree that the hugely valuable HMS Tamar site should be sold for redevelopment, but Peking insists on retaining the position as a demonstration of sovereignty. "Is the British garrison not stationed there?" he asked.

Xu Huizi said troops would come from the Guangdong military region in south China and would undergo special training, including English language lessons. He gave no guarantee that soldiers would wear civilian clothes in town, as British troops have become used to doing, although he indicated that elite units stationed in Hong Kong would receive special training and be required to observe local laws.

In remarks that will come as relief to the colony, he said he had no knowledge of earlier reports that China was planning to station 10,000 men in Hong Kong. He said the size of the garrison would depend on the international situation.

The meeting opened as Yu Xiaosing, China's vice-minister for the state economic and trade commission, said that Chinese investment in Hong Kong would be slowed in the coming months as Peking tries to cool its overheating economy and prevent a flight of capital out of the Chinese currency, the Yuan.

He said that China would curb frenzied mainland speculation in Hong Kong's soaring stock and property markets.

Lords vote welcomed in colony

BY MICHAEL BINYON DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

HONG Kong campaigners for the non-Chinese ethnic minority in the colony expressed delight yesterday with the Lords vote, which called for the granting of full British nationality to about 7,000 people, mostly of Asian origin, who may be left stateless after China's takeover of the colony in 1997.

The Lords voted by 60 to 48 to urge the government to grant full British passports, including the right of abode, to the minority. The government said immediately that the vote was not binding.

Emily Lau, a member of the Hong Kong Legislative Council who was part of a delegation that lobbied the home secretary last month, said the vote was a positive sign; she hoped that the British government would be generous "because after all we are talking about a handful of people".

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Floods on the way to being America's worst disaster

FROM WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU IN WASHINGTON

FLOODING in the Midwest, the worst disaster of its kind in American history, spread even further yesterday when the Mississippi and Missouri rivers merged 20 miles north of their normal confluence, flooding a small peninsula of 7,000 inhabitants.

The latest emergency came as the Missouri broke through a levee, flooding a wide area north of St Louis, the capital of Missouri state, after renewed heavy rains and thunderstorms. Most of the inhabitants of the narrow peninsula followed earlier evacuation orders, but a few hundred remained behind. Rescue officials sent in military lorries to try to save them.



Inland sea: the area of flooding is equal to that of Great Britain

The Mississippi hit a record height of 43ft at St Louis yesterday and is expected to rise to 45.5ft on Monday. St Louis itself is thought to be safe because of a large flood wall. But significant levee breaks were discovered early yesterday north of St Charles on the Missouri.

In Des Moines, state capital of Iowa, by far the hardest hit area, residents were without drinking water for the sixth consecutive day. Iowa had between one and four inches of rain yesterday, with more forecast for the weekend. Des Moines residents are receiving drinking water from designated distribution points. Reports from the city suggest normal water supplies may gradually be restored from Sunday.

Areas in North Dakota and Minnesota had seven inches of overnight rain as the Red River flooded the towns of Moorhead and Fargo on their common border. In Minnesota residents were trying hard yesterday to keep open the remaining bridge over the north Mississippi. Most states were closed, as were 11 Midwestern airports. River levels were also rising in areas of Kansas and Nebraska.

President Clinton is today going to St Louis, his third visit to the disaster areas. He will have talks on the crisis with the governors of the affected regions, concentrating on financial aid, which is now expected to exceed the $2.5 billion (£1.66 billion) he promised earlier this week. The total damage of the disaster, which has so far cost up to 25 lives, is estimated at between $5 billion and $10 billion. The precise toll in lives and money will not be known for some time.

Although he has responded swiftly with offers of aid to households, small businesses and especially farmers, who will receive the lion's share, Mr Clinton has made clear that the government will not compensate fully for all the damage. "The federal government has never compensated natural disasters dollar for dollar," he said after a meeting with congressional leaders.

He said there was a big distinction between aggregate loss and what would normally be compensated for by federal programmes. Later he promised that "we will be aggressively working in the next few days ... [on] practical problems as well as to get the most up-to-date damage estimates in the event that the bill moving through Congress needs to be modified".

In America aid can be disbursed only under existing state and federal laws. While agricultural losses tend to be well compensated for, the 30,000 homeowners who have lost their houses and belongings can expect much less in aid, possibly only a low-interest loan. Mr Clinton promised that the aid would not add to the budget deficit, because much of the needed cash could be appropriated from existing funds.

Mike Espy, the US agriculture secretary, said compensation for crop losses, constituting just over $1 billion of the $2.5 billion package, will probably be even higher. He said if the weather did not soon improve, the 1993 flood could become the worst disaster of any kind in America's history. In pure financial terms, the worst so far was the drought of 1988.


Life raft: Dave Wright, helped by Shane Busick, right, wades through his street in Des Moines, Iowa, pulling a makeshift raft containing his belongings. He had found the raft floating past his home. The Des Moines and Raccoon rivers are still in flood, with even more rain expected

Twain's prophecy fulfilled

BY WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU

MARK Twain predicted the Midwestern flooding disaster 111 years ago in his book *Life on the Mississippi*, a section of which describes the folly of trying to tame America's longest and mightiest river with levees and other devices.

In his 1882 autobiographical narrative of the history of the Mississippi and life on the river, Twain wrote that "10,000 river commissions, with the mines of the world at their back, cannot tame that lawless stream, cannot curb it or confine it, cannot say to it, Go Here, or Go There, and make it obey; cannot save a shore which it has sentenced; cannot bar its path with an obstruction which it will not tear down, dance over and laugh at." It was around that time the authorities decided to build levees to prevent it flooding surrounding areas.

His words, which were far more elegant than today's "ecologese" that scientists spout, have elevated the famous writer to hero status among US ecologists, who have been talking for years about the dangers of the levees along the Mississippi and its tributaries, more of which were breaking up yesterday. Their charge is that the Midwest flooding is not a natural but a man-made disaster, just waiting to happen, as man tampered with nature.

The irony about this is that Mark Twain's parental home, in Hannibal, Missouri, is safe from the surrounding floods precisely because of a one-mile-long and 34ft-high levee.

US ambassador to London

Clinton wants admiral aboard

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Clinton was yesterday reported to have chosen William Crowe, former chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, to replace Ray Seitz as the United States ambassador in London.

Officials disputed a claim in *The Washington Post* that Mr Clinton had made a final decision, but well-placed sources confirmed that Admiral Crowe's name was indeed under active consideration. They ruled out Thomas Foley, the House speaker, and other names rumoured for the job.

The sources said Mr Clinton had for some time been trying to bring Admiral Crowe "on board". After 47 years of public service he had refused offers of the CIA directorship or the Moscow embassy, but might well be tempted by London, a city he knows well and loves.

If Admiral Crowe is offered the job and accepts, he would move to London early next year. Pressed by the British government, which was anxious for some continuity during the change of administrations in Washington, Mr Clinton agreed not to move Mr Seitz, a career diplomat appointed by President Bush.

Admiral Crowe was appointed chairman of the joint chiefs by President Reagan in 1985, and reappointed in 1987, serving briefly under President Bush. But after his retirement he opposed the American-led Operation Desert Storm military action against Iraq, and during last year's presidential campaign, he gave a vital endorsement to Mr Clinton when his fitness to be commander-in-chief was being questioned because of his avoidance of the Vietnam war draft.

Now 68-years-old, Admiral Crowe lacks the stature and personality of his successor, Colin Powell, but the British government would probably welcome his appointment because he is close to Mr Clinton and fully appreciates the importance of Nato, at a time when the alliance has been badly strained by disputes over Bosnia.

Mr Clinton's recent decision to extend a nuclear test ban, despite strong British lobbying, further underscores the need to have someone of influence in London. Admiral Crowe is presently chairman of the president's foreign intelligence advisory board, and has been quietly advising Mr Clinton on ways to improve his relations with the American military.

Since his retirement in 1989, Admiral Crowe has been a professor of geopolitics at the University of Oklahoma and a counsellor at Washington's Centre for Strategic and International Studies.

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Pakistan military takes command to end political feuds

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN ISLAMABAD

■ Under intense army pressure, the Sharif government has agreed to resign. The key to political peace now depends on President Ishaq Khan, who must also leave office

AFTER direct intervention by the army, the Pakistan government has agreed in principle to resign and call fresh elections. New polls will give Benazir Bhutto, the former prime minister, a chance to stage a comeback three years after she was sacked — also as a result of military intervention.

Intense bargaining continued yesterday, with General Abdul Waheed, the army chief, interposing himself as honest broker between the feuding political factions. The general favours the setting up of a caretaker government of academics, retired army officers and other "neutral" figures pending a general election, perhaps in October.

Miss Bhutto has in outline agreed to the arrangement. General Waheed flew her from Lahore to military headquarters in Rawalpindi late on Thursday and told her that Mian Nawaz Sharif, the prime minister, had agreed to quit under certain conditions.

Miss Bhutto was asked to call off yesterday's planned mass demonstration in Islamabad which was designed to put pressure on the government to resign. She agreed to the army's request, then returned to her Islamabad residence to telephone the news to political allies.

Earlier Mr Sharif told General Waheed that he would resign only if President Ishaq Khan were removed from office. The conflict between them has been at the heart of the political turmoil. The president sacked the Sharif administration in April on grounds of corruption, but the supreme court reinstated him the following month.

Although a discredited and isolated figure, the president still has the power to scuttle the deal worked out by General Waheed simply by refusing to step down. The Sharif government would then decline to quit and Miss Bhutto would renew her threat to march on Islamabad.

Since early this month General Waheed has been trying to break the political stalemate. This made Western governments nervous and they told him that a return to military rule would be unacceptable. He, however, assured them that he had no desire to emulate his predecessors by taking over.

Under the new army-brokered plan, the government's resignation will be accompanied by the dissolution of the four provincial assemblies. This was one of Miss Bhutto's central demands. She fears that Punjab, in particular, would mobilise the provincial machinery against her during the election campaign unless it is run by a neutral administration. Punjab is Mr Sharif's home base. But Miss Bhutto, whose stronghold is rural Sind, also did well in Punjab last time. The election could, therefore, be a close fight, with neither side winning an outright majority.

That would leave a host of small parties holding the balance of power. If so, the Pakistani tradition of buying the support of MPs with bribes would determine who runs the government.

The army is expected to take a central role in ensuring that elections are free and fair, a further sign of the military's important role in political life. Despite General Waheed's expressed reluctance to take over government, the army is still Pakistan's most powerful institution and, as recent events have demonstrated, remains the ultimate authority.



Comrades in arms: Archbishop Tutu of Cape Town greeting Rosa Parks, the woman whose refusal to give up her bus seat to a white man in Montgomery, Alabama, in 1955 sparked the modern American civil rights movement, at a reception in Detroit. The archbishop is a leading campaigner for the rights of blacks in South Africa and deeply concerned with progress towards democracy and black rule there. In Johannesburg yesterday, six white right-wingers appeared in court amid tight security after a bomb slightly damaged the court building on Thursday night. The khaki-clad members of the neo-Nazi Afrikaner Resistance Movement (AWB), some wearing armbands with stylised swastika-like insignia, were remanded on bail to August 18 without a plea. The attorney-general of the Witwatersrand said the bomb was an attempt to intimidate the legal process: the police arrested 69 white right-wingers after an attack on June 25, spearheaded by armed members of the AWB, on constitutional negotiators



Bhutto: put off march at army's request

UN envoy continues Iraq talks

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO

ROLF Ekeus, the senior United Nations arms envoy, continued his attempt yesterday to defuse the latest crisis over Iraq's disregard for UN ceasefire resolutions, with lengthy talks in Baghdad.

He held one meeting of almost three hours with Tariq Aziz, the deputy prime minister, and was scheduled to hold another later. Mr Ekeus emphasised earlier that he had not come to negotiate but to restate the security council's position that Iraq must comply with the resolutions.

The confrontation was caused by Iraq's refusal to allow the UN to install cameras to monitor missile test sites. The UN has threatened serious consequences, including military strikes, if Baghdad does not permit the monitoring, aimed at ensuring that banned weapons programmes are not revived.

The two men appear to have returned to a basic discussion of how the resolutions should be followed. Mr Aziz said it was too early to comment.

Man in the news

General adrift in Somali in-fighting

FROM PHILIP WILLAN IN ROME

GENERAL Bruno Loi, 52, commander of the Italian peacekeeping contingent in Somalia, is at the heart of the bitter row between his government and the United Nations. He has received the unqualified support of the Italian government despite allegations that he failed to obey the orders of the UN command, and a public request by the UN for his removal.

General Loi, commander of the Folgori Parachute Brigade and the leader of Italy's 2,400 soldiers in Somalia, has followed scrupulously the Italian government's policy of emphasising the humanitarian aspect of the mission and preferring dialogue to confrontation. As the conflict between the UN forces and the militia of General Muhammad Farrah Aidid became ever more violent, General Loi found himself increasingly at odds with the UN command. General Bruno Buscemi, deputy army chief of staff, insisted yesterday that there was no question of General Loi's withdrawal from Somalia. "Our admiration for the way in which General Loi has led his men and kept up their morale is unconditional," General Buscemi said. He was beginning a visit to Mogadishu to meet UN and American officials and to try to patch up the rift.

Fabio Fabbri, the defence minister, has also issued a number of unequivocal expressions of support for the beleaguered general. "General Loi has carried out the instructions of the Italian government," he said. "He has never acted on his own initiative and his fundamental choices have always been subject to the approval of the chiefs of staff and the government."

It appears that the Italian government had been prepared quietly to recall the general at the end of next month but changed its mind on Wednesday after a humiliating public request for his removal by Kofi Annan, the Guyanan under-secretary responsible for UN peacekeeping efforts. Mr Annan's appeal came after the Italian government had criticised the US helicopter attack on one of General Aidid's bases.

The UN response made clear that the controversy over General Loi was bound up with the wider question of the resort to force in Somalia.

General Loi, who has never concealed his distaste for the aggressive tactics employed by US and Pakistani troops in Somalia, is a good communicator and has made himself readily available to the Italian media, much to the UN's annoyance. He protested angrily to General Cevik Bir, of Turkey, the commander of the UN mission, after a helicopter-borne American patrol descended on an area under Italian control.

"It is unacceptable that the Americans invade our sector with their operations without warning us," General Loi told a visiting journalist from the Italian magazine *L'Europeo*. "This would not happen if there was an Italian officer in the general staff commanding UN operations in Mogadishu." Now his career is at risk in Somalia's political jungle.

Bonn wary after airport shooting

FROM PATRICK MOSER IN BONN

PRESSURE intensified yesterday in Bonn for a halt to the controversial deployment of German troops in Somalia. Klaus Kinkel, the foreign minister, has said the deployment may have to be reconsidered after the defence ministry said that German soldiers were among United Nations troops who came under fire.

After denying it at first, the ministry eventually agreed that nine Bundeswehr soldiers were at Mogadishu airport during the attack on Wednesday. It also disclosed that German troops were in the Unsom headquarters during an attack last week during which four Norwegians were injured.

Germany has pledged about 1,500 troops to the UN operation in Somalia with the understanding that the soldiers would operate only in "secure" areas. An advance team of 288 Bundeswehr personnel is already in Belet Huen, about 180 miles north-east of Mogadishu, and about 30 are in the Somali capital, transporting equipment sent from Germany.

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All modern inconveniences: when every appliance fails at once, the rich are not so different

Alexander Chancellor in New York

Because one is accustomed to things working in New York, it is more than usually devastating when they do not. I went away for a few days and returned this week to my two-room Manhattan apartment to find that some evil spirit had been visiting it in my absence. Nearly everything that mattered was broken: the refrigerator, the television set, the word-processor, and the air-conditioner. They had all failed simultaneously, but each in its own special way. There was no discernible pattern in this multiple disaster.

The refrigerator's motor was boiling hot; the television emitted only blurred pictures and crackling sound; the word-processor showed nothing but one flashing red light, and the air conditioner roared away as usual but produced no cold air.

One can live quite happily without a television set or even a word-processor (except for the fact that everything I need to know is stored in mine), but living in New York in the summer without any means of getting cool is another matter — particularly this summer, which has already brought a record-breaking heatwave with temperatures over 100 F.

To find oneself without air-conditioning in these circumstances is to be transported into a different social milieu. If you move only in middle-class circles, you get the impression that all New York homes are air-conditioned; but of course, many thousands of them are not. These are the homes in which poor people live. While the prosperous can create their own private climate around them, in their houses, their offices, and their cars, the poor have to put up with what nature provides. The prosperous sleep comfortably at night; the rest, myself now included, toss and turn and wake up early, drenched in sweat.

But even the poor tend to have refrigerators that work. To be without one is to be reduced to the social level of the destitute (except that I do, of course, have a roof over my head). How do people survive in hot climates without refrigerators? How do they manage without ice or cold drinks? How do they keep their milk from curdling and their chocolate from melting? How do they keep depression at bay? I am appalled by how dependent I seem to be on modern electrical appliances.



Naturally, when I found all these things broken, I made haste to try to get them repaired, using the Yellow Pages as my guide. I called a 24-hour-a-day refrigerator repair service, and a man came round to the apartment within an hour. But all he did was declare the machine beyond repair, tell me to purchase a new one, and charge me $70 for this advice. I then looked up the address of the nearest refrigerator shop, found one a few blocks away, and walked there through the oppressive heat.

I eventually chose a refrigerator and wrote out a cheque for nearly $1,000. Less than three-quarters of this sum was the cost of the machine itself. There was the tax to consider, and the delivery charge. I told the salesman I lived up two flights of stairs in a building without a lift. That added another $35. I told him that the doors of the refrigerator opened on the wrong side and would have to be turned round. That added another $20. And so it went on.

The shop also happened to sell air-conditioners, and I was tempted to solve another of my problems by buying one on the spot. I noticed a free-standing one that did not seem to require elaborate installation in a wall or window, and I asked how much it cost. But the salesman, whose particular fetish seemed to be to discourage customers from buying whatever they happened to be interested in, said it was "a personal cooler" and would be of no use to me unless I spent all of my time sitting immediately in front of it. He was a black man, and he asked "Why can't you do without an air-conditioner, like the rest of us?"

However, he eventually agreed to send an air-conditioning expert round to my flat to investigate the problem. With extreme reluctance — and only after making me test every aspect of my television set, video-recorder and cable box while she hung on the end of the telephone line — a representative of the television cable company also agreed in the end to let an expert pay me a call. But who was to let them in? My building has no doorman, I have to go to an office, and the experts would not commit themselves to turning up at any particular time.

Suffice it to say that complex arrangements were made, and now things are looking up. I am still waiting for the experts, but the word-processor has miraculously cured itself and the new refrigerator has been delivered and has started to work. But, above all, the temperature has fallen outside.

As I ponder the coincidence of all these misfortunes, I wonder whether there is any hidden meaning to it. Almost certainly there is not, but it has at least had the salutary effect of putting me briefly back in touch with the real world, which is rather a rare experience in New York.

Matthew Parris says discovery of a genetic factor in homosexuality will test many people's convictions

Genetic genies won't go back in the bottle

News that markers to a gay gene may have been discovered will add to moral bewilderment in an already confused debate. The first thing to happen is that Peter Tatchell, the gay rights campaigner, will start popping up on television warning of an imminent conspiracy to murder homosexuals in the womb.

After Mr Tatchell, and more tentatively, the gay lobby (which probably includes me) will for the most part greet this scientific breakthrough — if breakthrough it be — with guarded hostility.

This will partly be because the gay lobby greets anything which heterosexuals say about them with guarded hostility, but partly from an instinctive dislike of being looked at, so to speak, under a clinician's microscope. They will feel it is a short step from this to being treated as a medical condition, along with (say) cystic fibrosis.

They will see the day coming when parents will be able to choose not to have a homosexual son (to this I return below). They will even speculate that if homosexuality arises in part from a physical property, it may prove reversible. Gays might be "cured" — or straightened out at birth.

> In future, gays might be 'cured' — that is straightened out at birth

I would argue that whether or not this happens is none of our business; that a world in which nobody was gay would be neither a worse nor a better world, and that our concern is with people who are alive, gay and certain to remain so; but I would not expect activist friends to find this persuasive.

An argument with more popular resonance will be that science has now proved that homosexuals cannot help it. The gay lobby will be reticent about this, because we do not accept that there is anything to be helped. It would be equally true to say that left-handed people can't help it, or blacks can't help it, but the very saying of it imputes a handicap. That implication we resist — for exactly the reason that blacks or left-handers would resist it: we see no problem.

But among gay men of the quieter, more closeted sort, who are the vast majority of the homosexuals in Britain, many do see their homosexuality as a problem. I wish it were otherwise, but it is too easy for us "out" gays in London to declare that all is hunky-dory and ask why can't gays in Hartlepool be brave like us?

For them, real comfort will be drawn from the news. Most of us never *felt* we could "help" it, and are infuriated when we hear it implied that our orientation is some kind of a moral choice we have made. Our actions may be, of course. The implication that one could become heterosexual by some effort of will, access of virtue or act of divine grace angers us both because most of us do not believe it, and because the assertion is used as the first step in an argument, of which the second step is to urge punishment or discrimination against those who are then said to have chosen to be gay.

And there is another reason for the hunger of many gay men for evidence that "there's nothing I can do about it", though it is a reason the gay lobby do not much care for. In many a gay man, mixed with his sense of resentment, and often defiance, is a buried feeling of guilt; no doubt the guilt came before we found the moral independence to see that it was misplaced, but in many it never entirely disappears. To discover now that we are not after all more sinful or weaker than other men, but simply physically different, would be enormously comforting to many. It's not "our fault" after all.

Then there's the Peter Tatchell line: that we shall all be murdered in our beds or rather, in our mothers' wombs. The abortionist's knife will now be depicted as the latest weapon in a world conspiracy against gay men. Pregnant women, it will be suggested, will choose to abort gay foetuses. This, we will quickly discover, is one "choice" that the pro-choice lobby will not think women capable of exercising for themselves. The lobby for permissive abortion laws finds much of its strength on the political left and your average gay left-wing activist believes also in something close to abortion on demand. How close we shall soon see.

Abortion is already used for the purposes of genetic determination. Throughout China, mothers who want to choose the sex of their child are aborting when the foetus is the wrong gender. Female foetuses are the principal victims. Now the prospect will be raised of the mass destruction of gay male foetuses, and because this is a man's issue there will be a great deal more noise about it. Is there not an irony for liberals in the possibility that, among the first victims of a wider access to abortion will be women and gays?

You can guess the next step. The doctrine of free choice will be refined. A woman's *qualified* right to choose will become the buzz phrase. Or rather, "a woman's *qualified* right to *know*", because those who wish to restrict liberties are wisest to block at source the information on which their exercise depends.

If it becomes easy to determine by pre-natal scan the propensity of a child towards homosexuality, Dame Mary Warnock will no doubt be asked to chair a royal commission, which will conclude that this information should be neither sought nor provided except under licence. In practice that will mean that it is not available on the NHS, but expectant parents prepared to pay enough will be able to get it anyway. The function of the Warnocks of this world is to blur for a while the inevitable.

And it would be inevitable. After all, the expectant mother of a homosexual baby desirous of an abortion will surely testify she does not wish to discriminate, but finds herself emotionally incapable of giving a gay son the loving and understanding upbringing he needs. The child's happiness, and her own mental health, are at stake, she will argue.

Beside how could it be discrimination? Discrimination is against *people*. I thought the pro-choice argument was that foetuses are not humans in any meaningful sense of that word. No, those of us who believe in a woman's right to abortion (and I do) must accept the natural consequences of our argument: that some will exercise that right according to criteria of which we do not approve. So be it.

The argument will now proceed excitably, carried on by a range of interests from the gay left at one extreme to the moral right at the other. I suspect, in different ways, these extremes will find reasons for disapproving of the recent alleged findings. But as to the quieter body of public opinion which lies between them, I know what the response will be from (for instance) the youth who wrote to me anonymously from Coventry recently ("19, gay, and pretty pissed off really"). To him, it will mean that there is no point trying to fight it.

BBC producers must learn to live with the new, competitive broadcasting

Eldorado's last hurrah



Hate figure: for all his howler, John Birt's insistence on good value must triumph for the BBC to retain its licence-fee monopoly

This has been BBC week, so I did what men of influence have done down the ages. I went there for lunch. It was a good lunch. But I must tread warily, for I do not know who paid for it. My stuffed wing of chicken was an "unallocated overhead". (Or did it come from Radio Talks? It was a left wing.) Other guests were equally conscience-ridden. Would a drama producer be sacked to meet the cost? Did the Muscadet mean another peak hour repeat?

I have long had a weakness for the BBC among great British institutions. It was moored like an art deco liner at the top of London's Regent Street, pompous, self-contained, eccentric. The corporation was an estate of the realm, rich and independent enough to defy cabinets. It had a poll tax of its own. It burnt money in front of politicians like ancient tribes burnt treasure to terrify their enemies. From its towers and labyrinths would emerge much dross but also works of great art and great journalism. So God save the BBC.

Today the place has not quite lost its *joie de vivre*. Executives are still quaffing and chirping their way from Cannes to Wimbledon, from Lord's to Goodwood. "Strategy weekends" of unrivalled splendour are planned. The best seats are taken at the Proms, the best hotel suites at the party conferences. BBC grandees, like maharajahs under the protection of the viceroy, still take "the season" seriously.

So what is this self-doubt? What are Birtism and suitism and shirtism? Who are Tully and Dukey? Who are those shadowy bodyguards who escort managers from meeting to meeting with names like Touche, McStingy and Bell? This is not glad confident morning again. It looks ominously like what Northcote Parkinson called "structure supplanting leadership". Perhaps the BBC should be parcelled up and sent to Harvard Business School for students to dissect in years to come, as an exemplary fast-breeder bureaucracy. Small wonder every dinner table echoes to the question, "Tell us about Birt. Why is everybody against him?"

In vain do I plead that BBC producer choice is about as gripping a topic of conversation as the latest adjustment to the EC sheepmeat premium. I protest that I would rather attend karaoke night at a works canteen than hear "the BBC governors present their charter renewal proposals to an audience in the regions". If this is the corporation's idea of a good time, no wonder *Eldorado* was a flop.

I am not against John Birt. For a start, it is a brave man who takes on old British institutions. Gently stroke the fur of the Foreign Office or Oxford University or St Bartholomew's Hospital or the BBC, and each will purr with pleasure. Seek to reform them and they will open their jaws and have you for breakfast. Such institutions believe they are beyond discussion: yet whenever they are analysed, they seem like Alice drinking the potion. They shrink with alarming speed. Set the BBC in a world of cables and satellites, videos and smartcards, and suddenly Broadcasting House could fit inside a thimble.

So romanticism is untenable. The empire's days have long been numbered. No sensible person can refute Mr Birt's diagnosis or his prescription. The BBC's income is bound to fall. Its monopolies are shattering on every side. The place has been unmanaged for years. For any former governor or director-general to utter a peep against Mr Birt is outrageous. They connived in a *de facto* fraud, and know it. The only justice in the BBC's privileged right to tax TV sets is that its programmes are blatantly better than those likely from a commercial free-for-all. On no measure is this requirement now being met, except perhaps in radio. The BBC is rightly in big trouble.

Simon Jenkins

Mr Birt's first task has been to cut his costs. In any large organisation which cannot go bankrupt, this is phenomenally hard. Internal transfer pricing, or "producer choice", is a widely employed way of achieving this. It is easy to satirise: staff find it cheaper to call a cuttings agency or buy a CD than pay to use the internal library. But if managers are too weak to manage, then a crude pricing mechanism must do it for them. Perhaps one day the BBC will get better managers, but its customers cannot wait.

In this respect, I found Mark Tully's attack on Mr Birt last week unconvincing. He did not address the BBC's predicament or offer an alternative way of meeting it. His criticism of Mr Birt as dictatorial was bizarre. Most BBC staff seem to find him nice, rather indecisive and besotted with lengthy meetings and laborious consensus. As for Mr Tully's complaints about "bimedialism", it must be a BBC strength that its news service embraces television and radio, that it can penetrate world markets and that serious programmes are at the forefront of its image. Mr Tully said light entertainment had been neglected. But imagine his rage if Mr Birt had downgraded news and current affairs to spend money on comedy and soaps.

Clearly Mr Birt has made howlers which any business school graduate could point out. The iron law of cost control says that when line staff are being sacked, management must be seen to bear equal pain. Outsiders who visit the BBC still reel from its "meetings culture": interminable committees in which feuding departments fight for extra staff to fend off rivals. There should have been a total ban on new hirings and some public gesture of asceticism, however tough life became at headquarters. Yet as programme-makers were kicked out of one door they had to watch a stream of new bureaucrats, personal assistants and consultants pouring in another.

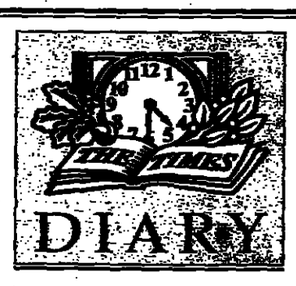
What makes Tory critics of the BBC so gleeful is that many of its left-wing personalities would in their creative youth have made coruscating programmes attacking the perks and privileges they now enjoy. Corporation managers have personal advisers like medieval bishops had retinues — as part of their status. One new arrival is said to have demanded (and got) a deputy on the ground that no executive should have to work after five o'clock. In this climate, to go out and ask the staff about their morale beggared belief. It was like the Walrus and the Carpenter making the same enquiry of the oysters:

But answer came their none.
And this was scarcely odd because
They'd eaten every one.

The trouble with such self-immolation is that it undermines Mr Birt's good intentions. I believe his is a genuinely exciting vision of a company still eager to make quality programmes at competitive prices, still able to justify its licence fee and still able to dominate world broadcasting. But this is an industry of fast-moving, low-cost operators who no longer see the BBC as the golden height to which all must aspire. This means Birtism must win or the BBC will wither.

Countries that have no independent public service broadcasting get wretched television and pretty wretched radio. The BBC is still (just) entitled to the benefit of the doubt as monopoly supplier of such broadcasting in Britain. That advantage hinges on the corporation moving from an outdated institutional status to something roughly like what Mr Birt says he wants to achieve. For all the gossip, gaffes and banana skins, the BBC had better be left to get on with it.

I whirled all week



"I COULD have danced all night, I could have danced all night..." Forgive the high spirits. It's just been that sort of week. A frantic whirl of a seven days, the sort that lifts a diarist's life above the relentless round of lunches and cocktails, the sort that puts a spring in the pen and a song in the intro.

Even hardened, professional party-goers like myself have been left giddy with excitement. Show after show, celebrity after celebrity, ovation after ovation, champagne after, hic... more champagne. In short, dear reader, a veritable orgy of theatrical delight.

Such was the pace, in fact, that even now events are already beginning to blur, merging into one long round of "Darling, you were wonderful, let's lunch". So before the process of decay goes too far, let me attempt to recapture some of the key moments. Now, where's my trusty notebook?

We begin at the Adelphi, my shorthand tells me, for the first night of Sir Andrew Spielberg's new musical *Jurassic Boulevard*. A celebrity-packed audience cheered the cast to the rafters after the final curtain came down. "I came out singing the percentages," said an emotional Tim Rice when I bumped into him shortly afterwards. For once, the critics were as one. "A hit", they declared, unanimously bowled over by a plot that truly wrenches at the heart strings.

For those of you excluded from this distinguished opening, let me summarise. *Jurassic Boulevard* tells the tragic story of Norma Diplodocus, one of the great stars of the silent Triassiac era and now, despite the passing of ice ages, determined to make a comeback in the walking talking Cretaceous. "I'm still big, it's the screens that have gotten small," she insists, in that captivating mid-Mesozoic drawl.

Norma's beauty is fading (nevertheless I saw the curve of her 40 ft neck send a definite frisson through the first night audience), but her memories burn as brightly as ever. Like the day when thousands thronged the sidewalks of Jurassic Boulevard to see her leave her hoofprints in the mud alongside those of so many of her co-stars, Burt Brachiosaur, Rock Rex and good ol' Pete Plateosaurus. As she builds towards the undoubted showstopper "Don't Fly for Me, Terry Dactyl", she muses on what future generations will make of finding the footprints of so many of the all-time dinosaur greats in one place. A theme park, perhaps?

Quickly we move on to the Prince of Wales theatre, for a consoling glass or two with the unhappy cast of *City of Angles*, who have just learnt that their show — based loosely on the life of a Hollywood trigonometry teacher — is to close, despite rave reviews from the critics. Poignantly, I arrive just as the front of house staff start taking down the show's publicity posters. Lying in a puddle is a ripped fragment bearing the prediction "This show will run forever — Murray Walker".

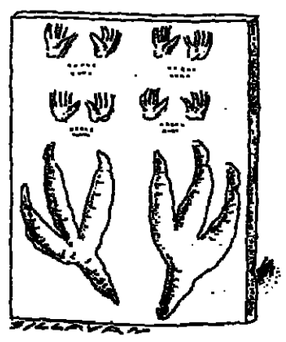
Having done my bit to raise morale, it's on to the Westminster theatre for what sounds suspiciously like someone attempting to cash in. Like its distinguished cousin at the Adelphi, *Jurassic Politics* is based on the story of a heroine of a bygone age attempting to make her comeback. But the star received poor support from a fossilised cast of hundreds. And as for the tunes, "Familiar, dated and derivative" was how one of my kinder colleagues described them. Nevertheless, I popped round afterwards to see the show's surprisingly ebullient promotor, Lord Hesketh. He poured me a large vodka. "Say yes," he ordered, as the vodka level rose. "Yes," I shouted out of concern for my liver. "Good man," he said with a smile, topping the glass up to the brim.

Just a little unsteadily now, but pausing to distribute charity to those unfortunates for whom West End pavements now serve as beds — you know the sort, "Former BBC India correspondent: please give generously" — we are off again.

This time to Leicester Square for the royal premier of *Sunset Park*, the latest blockbuster from Steven Lloyd Webber. With B-list celebrities otherwise engaged at the opening night of *Greased* — Italian business life set to music — the premier was a truly distinguished affair. The Princess of Wales, close friends tell me, was apparently delighted by the ingenious plot — which involves long-dead stars of the silver screen being cloned from fragments of DNA and kept in a purpose-built park. But the clones rebel. The princess particularly liked the part when Charlie Chaplin — cloned from a nail-clipping found under his bed in Switzerland — manages, despite falling over umpteen times, to eat one of the park's wardens alive.

After that it was on to a most select post-premier party, at the British Film Institute, to dance the night away in a room hung with huge pictures of the silent stars. At one point I could swear Chaplin winked. Or have I overdone the champagne?

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AFTER ATTALI

The EBRD must clean house thoroughly, and be seen to do so

The publication yesterday of the auditors' report on the extravagance, lack of proper accountability and lax management of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) has at last secured the abrupt departure of its president, Jacques Attali. A better man would have announced his resignation four months ago, when news of the millions poured into suspended ceilings and specially polished marble at the bank's City headquarters became public. A better man would have cleared his desk overnight when details emerged of double reimbursement on flights to the Far East, mysteriously delayed repayments for chartered jets for personal travel and £22,000 worth of nightclub bills — for which cheques were received only late last month after the auditors' enquiry had begun.

M Attali's last gesture, in the light of the report's detailed disclosures, was to propose the waiving of a severance payment of £147,000 — on condition that the bank's 53-member international board agreed not to pursue any claims in respect of irregularities uncovered by the auditors. However tempted the directors may be to close the books on this chapter of embarrassment, they should firmly resist French pressure to agree to any such deal. The EBRD must clean house thoroughly, and must be seen to do so. Nor should they automatically pay M Attali: in addition to the report's findings of mismanagement there was the judgment that the president appeared to be in breach of the bank's code of conduct. Had he not resigned, the directors would have had little choice but to discuss his dismissal.

M Attali's fate is wholly secondary to the damage he has inflicted both on the EBRD, which was set up two years ago to assist the development of free enterprise in Central and Eastern Europe, and on the whole fabric of East-West co-operation. The EBRD was an institution that had to prove the point of its existence; given the accumulated experience of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund in economic restructuring, the need for a new bureaucracy was hardly self-evident.

The EBRD was a political creation, intended by M Attali's old friend President Mitterrand to demonstrate Western Europe's central role in helping the East. A special niche had to be invented for the new bank in order to circumvent the objection that it would duplicate effort. The EBRD was thus required to lend 60 per cent of its money for commercial projects, on commercial terms, acting as a catalyst for other private sector investment. The World Bank's excellent International Finance Corporation was already in the field; but this inconvenient fact was ignored. Too small to make a dent on the grand blueprints for transforming entire industries, too remote to meet the real need for help to small private entrepreneurs, it concentrated on improving the vistas within its marbled halls. Instead of setting an example of free markets at work, the EBRD has offered a flamboyant display of the unacceptable face of capitalism.

The inquest must, as the report says, reach beyond the conduct of M Attali and some of his key deputies to the whole question of what it politely calls "corporate governance". The report does not attempt a comprehensive survey of the bank's shoddy procedures and control systems, noting only that these are "conducive to improprieties". But what is already clear is that the EBRD cumbersome board, whose 53 members are generously paid for their trouble, has been disgracefully incurious. If the EBRD did not exist, nobody would now invent it; but as a bank, it has begun to find its feet. Winding it up would be more money wasted: the board should give it one more chance, but only one, under new management and a more sensible, practical, mandate. And the governments which bankroll the EBRD should put the board itself under rigorous scrutiny.

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GENES AND THE MAN

Scientific discoveries do not resolve moral dilemmas

The discovery of evidence that homosexuality may be linked to genetic make-up has produced fanciful comment. There is general agreement that if a gene has been identified as carrying a homosexual predisposition, then this has significant moral implications. Fortunately, there is no consensus about what these ethical consequences are.

Even among gay activists there is disagreement about whether proof of a biological tendency would result in more, or less discrimination. On the one hand, the fact of a genetic basis would undermine the idea that homosexuality is a form of moral turpitude. Sexual preference would be seen in a more neutral light if the predilection to it were no more of a choice than eye-colour.

Some will argue that if homosexuals are born into their condition, then legislation that prohibits discrimination on the grounds of in-born characteristics such as race or sex should also apply to them. In these terms, demonstrating that a homosexual life is not chosen in free will would result in more protection and less vilification. But those who defend the idea of homosexuality as an alternative lifestyle which anyone should be able to adopt without censure reject such biological determinism. They do not wish to be excused their sexual orientation on the grounds that they cannot help it, but to be accepted as they are.

There is a fear that those who regard homosexuality as inherently deviant and unacceptable could use such a scientific breakthrough as a way of eliminating the tendency altogether. This remote possibility has led to some wild conjecture. Stamping out an inherited inclination for homosexuality could be done only by tampering with the genes in reproductive cells — a process that is currently illegal — or by offering to "cure" the condition with genetic cell therapy — which treatment could always be refused.

A programme of screening foetuses for the relevant gene and then offering mothers the possibility of abortion (as is done with major congenital defects like Down's Syndrome) would come up against rival claims of civil liberties. A woman's right to abortion on her own chosen grounds would have to be weighed against the potential right of a foetus to develop in its own way and, by implication, the right of other adults to live in the way that they prefer without stigma.

Even offering "therapeutic" abortions of potentially gay foetuses would not eliminate the genetic strain. That could be done only by forcibly identifying and sterilising all women who carried it — a possibility not envisaged even by those alarmists who are already calling for a ban on such abortions.

This controversy has been sparked by inconclusive data. Although a genetic link has been found in certain families where male homosexuality is prevalent, it is not the case that every carrier of the gene becomes homosexual — and there are active homosexuals who are not carriers.

A larger issue is raised by genetic engineering itself. If science can find a hereditary basis for traits such as criminality or violent aggression, political and ethical decisions will have to be made about how to deal with that knowledge. An American molecular geneticists, Mr Dean Hamer, said yesterday that human sexuality was much too complex to be determined by one gene. Equally, moral questions are too complex to be settled purely by scientific discoveries.

UNISEX SINGING IN THE CHOIR

Arguments against girl choristers are just an old male fetish

In the cathedrals and ancient colleges, the famous choirs of the United Kingdom will sing their anthems and other parts of the liturgy tomorrow, from early communion to evensong, with a piercing beauty that is entirely British. This is one kind of music that is performed better in Britain than anywhere else in the world. To a dispassionate observer the peculiarity will be that the choirs are manned exclusively by men and boys. No girls or women sing in surplices in ancient cathedral stalls, except at St Mary's, Edinburgh, which has a mixed choir, and Salisbury Cathedral, which has for two years run a separate girls' choir.

The church is split over the question of whether to admit females to its great choirs, which are, with clubs and some schools, the last ditches of male exclusiveness. Some arguments against admitting girls and women to Britain's chorus of heavenly voices are anachronistic. In the Middle Ages, when most cathedrals were founded, St Paul's odd view that women were unclean prevailed, and women were barred from an active role in the liturgy. Some of the arguments are pseudo-musicological. Sentimentalists such as Benjamin Britten believed that the voices of pubescent boy trebles reached a peak of tremulous beauty unattainable by the other sex. There is no agreement whether the voices of boys and girls of the same age actually sound different, or whether it depends on the way they are trained. The best opinion now is that the voices of boys and girls are compatible, if not indistinguishable.

Some of the arguments against girl choristers are selfish. The 41 cathedral and collegiate choir schools in the United Kingdom offer boys a good education, and an assured entry into an independent school, probably with a musical scholarship, when their voices break at the age of 13 or earlier. This is getting earlier. Schubert sang in the Vienna Boys' Choir until he was 18. Girls' voices do not break, but after puberty their voices take on an unmistakably female tone.

Some of the arguments against women choristers are pedantic antiquarian. Purcell and Tallis wrote for the voices of boys, not girls. But then, so did Shakespeare and Euripides, even for their womens' roles. We are not bound by the conventions of their ages. Much early church music was written to be sung by castrati, and no doubt traditionalists deplored the decline in musical standards when the supply of eunuchs dried up. It is argued by opponents of women choristers that boys, just before their voices break, will be put off by the competition from more self-assured girls. Choristers should not be so sensitive.

At a time when the cathedral choirs are struggling to fill their places, none of the arguments is strong enough. What matters, in the sight of God and the congregation, is the sound not the sex of the singer. A church that is going to ordain women priests ought to be able to live with female choristers.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Disagreement over value of sex education in schools

From Mrs Valerie Riches

Sir, The professional sex educators and their praetorian guard of agony aunts are predictably outraged by attempts to allow parents to remove their children from objectionable classes which offend their philosophical and religious beliefs (letter, from Stzie Hayman and others, July 12).

They insist that parents want sex education in schools, and it is true that many parents welcome assistance in this area in the belief that it will help their children to resist the sexual pressures upon them.

However, controversy has arisen over the nature of the resource material used, and the way in which sex education has become, in some hands, a battering ram for breaking down social constraints and taboos.

Some parents hoped that these problems had been dealt with by the inclusion of a clause in the 1986 Education Act stating that sex education must be given in the context of moral values and family life.

Unfortunately the principal bodies working in this field continue to disseminate exactly the same resource material as before, failing to recommend restraint and ignoring almost completely the significance of marriage. The Department for Education has consistently shown itself unwilling to enforce the provisions of the 1986 act.

The right to withdraw children from lessons must be maintained until the sex education lobby shows itself both willing and capable of promoting responsible attitudes towards sexual behaviour, marriage and family life.

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From Lord Stallard

Sir, I have been responsible, along with others in the House of Lords, for raising the issue of changes to the Education Bill on sex education, and the government responded to our concerns by an amendment which passed by 131 votes to 33 on July 6. It will be debated in the Commons next week. Ms Hayman and her colleagues are factually wrong because

1. The amendment makes sex education compulsory in all secondary schools for the first time. It will lead to more sex education, not less.

2. Education about HIV/Aids and other sexually transmitted diseases has not been "removed from the curriculum". On the contrary, such matters are specifically mentioned in the amendment as being an essential part of the new compulsory sex education.

3. Ms Hayman and the others imply that even though "the vast majority of parents welcome, and young people want, sex education in schools", they will somehow not get it under the new arrangements. This is wrong. All parents who want their children to have sex education are guaranteed it will happen.

Only those parents with concerns about the way sex education is taught in their children's schools will need to exercise this new statutory right to withdraw a child from sex education.

4. Your correspondents refer to The Netherlands in support of their arguments. But I understand that parents there already have a constitutional right to withdraw their children from such education.

Yours sincerely,
STALLARD,
House of Lords.
July 12.

From Miss Mary Kenny

Sir, The problem-page editors claim in their letter that in The Netherlands "a far more open attitude and good sex education" result in a dramatically lower teenage pregnancy rate. This is simply not the whole story.

The Dutch do have an open attitude to sex education and a very frank approach to the use of contraception. But this must be put in the context of other aspects of the culture. Outside of the big cities The Netherlands is a very religious society, with one of the highest proportions of mothers at home in the European Community.

It may be deduced that it is the *combination* of stern advocacy of contraception, a strong local church life and mothers at home keeping a beady eye on teenagers which helps to keep the teenage pregnancy rate down.

Sex education by itself does not seem to be particularly effective. If Ms Hayman and her colleagues had invoked Denmark, for example, which also has an open attitude to sex education but a high divorce rate, a high rate of mothers working outside the home and weak church links, they would have come up with the not unexpected data that Danish teenage pregnancies are even higher than those in this country.

Yours sincerely,
MARY KENNY,
Reform Club,
Pall Mall, SW1.
July 12.

From Mrs Josephine Robinson and Dr Helen Davies

Sir, Is there any course of instruction in schools which produces results diametrically opposed to its object, apart from sex education? It is supposed to prepare young people for stable, committed relationships in marriage and a reduction in the number of illegitimate pregnancies.

However, marriages are notably less stable than they were 20 years ago, when sex education first became popular; illegitimate live births have now reached 25 per cent of the total and in addition abortions number over 170,000 annually.

Yours faithfully,
JOSEPHINE ROBINSON
(Chairman),
HELEN DAVIES,
The Association of Catholic Women,
22 Surbiton Hill Park,
Surbiton, Surrey.
July 13.

From Mrs A. G. Lynne

Sir, It is as a result of the articles and stories in many women's magazines that the problem pages of Ms Hayman and her colleagues are so full. Lay out the possibilities of sexual relationships and the young will feel more than ever encouraged to try for themselves.

Familiarity breeds babies. The more "taboo" subjects are openly discussed in the classroom the more they become commonplace and thus are indulged in.

We should exchange lessons about the "informed choices" of sex for lessons about self-control, standards and a purpose in life.

Yours faithfully,
A. G. LYNNE,
Dedham House, Dedham,
Colchester, Essex.
July 12.

Laying the blame for BBC faults

From Mr John Hosken

Sir, You report (July 15) Mr Birt's statement in Birmingham that under his regime savings in due course on overheads will be £70 million a year. In his article in the same issue Mr Birt concludes with a loyal reference to his predecessor, Michael Checkland, defending the financial revolution which Checkland began.

Hang on a moment! Was it not under Michael Checkland — the first director-general to have been an accountant — that BBC Television lost tens of millions of pounds in a single year through faulty accounting? Mr Birt was his deputy at the time.

The most important issue, however, is staff morale. On July 14 you also quoted Miss Liz Forgan as saying: "It's true that people are very miserable and upset." Yes they are, all but the Birt sycophants currently acquiring housemaid's knee in the corridors of Broadcasting House. Might not this highly imaginative, talented and caring workforce be right?

Such thoughts are anathema to Mr Birt and his cronies. The staff, as under Stalin, may only express criticism under fear of becoming marked men and women. Mr Birt uses the word "revolution" to describe his antics. So did Lenin.

Yours etc,
JOHN HOSKEN,
Appledown, 161a Woodman Road,
Brentwood, Essex.
July 15.

From Mr W. R. Haines

Sir, Mark Tully's words (report, July 14) were short, his meaning clear. John Birt's words (report, July 15) were long, his meaning obscure. Jargon blocks understanding. Good managers do not use it anyway.

Alice would have got it right: "I don't know the meaning of half those long words, and, what's more, I don't believe you do either."

Churchill did get it right, in his "blood, toil, tears and sweat" speech: "What is our aim? . . . Victory . . ." He did not ask: "What is our mission statement?"

Radical change can be achieved without Stalinism, as Mr Tully pointed out. John Tusa showed that in his overhaul of the BBC World Service. It can be achieved, too, without murdering the English language.

Yours faithfully,
W. R. HAINES,
262 Kirkdale, SE26.
July 15.

Bankruptcy laws

From Mr John M. McQueen

Sir, You report (July 14) an inquest into the death of a Lloyd's name who hanged himself in April because of the fear of bankruptcy. Shortly after reading the report I spent half an hour on the telephone trying to talk round a mother who was threatening to kill herself and her ten-year-old daughter. Her husband's printing business had just failed and their family faced bankruptcy.

UK bankruptcy laws, aside from causing people to kill themselves, may also bring down the government because of the scores of Tory MPs involved with Lloyd's losses.

It would be valuable if our MPs, on both sides of the House of Commons, spent some time reforming our bankruptcy laws along the more civilised lines adopted in the United States rather than trying to score political points over the Lloyd's debacle.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN McQUEEN (Chief Executive),
The Bankruptcy Association,
4 Johnson Close,
Abraham Heights, Lancaster.

Night thoughts

From Mr Paul Redgrave

Sir, Regarding monetary names such as pony or monkey (Diary, July 8), may I suggest that we call the £1,001 paid into court in the Major-Latimer libel case a Scheherazade?

Yours faithfully,
PAUL REDGRAVE,
Omphalos, Grenville Park,
Yelverton, Devon.

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Genetic homosexuality

From Lord Jakobovits

Sir, The discovery by several American researchers that homosexual inclinations may be genetically transmitted (report, July 16) was referred to in a radio bulletin this morning as a "moral bombshell". Lest this be widely exploited as an argument for accepting homosexual practices as "natural" and therefore as morally legitimate, the logic of this reasoning should be exposed as utterly untenable.

If it were one day discovered that kleptomania, or a passion for adulterous relations, or perhaps even an occasional urge to murder were hereditary traits, would that justify society in tolerating such offences?

Homosexuality is a grave departure from the natural norm which we are charged to overcome like any other affliction, genetic or not. If natural or hereditary tendencies would entitle us to set aside the sixth, seventh and eighth of the Ten Commandments we might as well abolish them altogether — and allow civilisation to relapse into moral chaos.

I hope ethically sensitive professionals and lay people alike will join in defeating this further attempt to erode our transcendent moral values.

Sincerely yours,
JAKOBOVITS (Visiting Professor,
Jakobovits Centre for Jewish Medical Ethics, Ben Gurion University,
Beersheba, Israel),
44a Albert Road, NW4.
July 16.

Royal relations

From Mr Leslie M. Jones

Sir, Comte Jean-François de Chambrun writes most movingly (letter, July 13) of the relations existing between his wife, formerly Lady Spencer, and the Princess of Wales.

As Vic Feather, the trade union leader, once remarked on a matter of similar weight, we talk about this in the clubs in Barnsley every night.

Yours faithfully,
LESLIE M. JONES,
6 Conifer Close, Reigate, Surrey.
July 13.

From Mr David Foster

Sir, The hand was the hand of the Count, but the voice was surely the voice of the Countess.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID FOSTER,
Beech House, Shifnal, Shropshire.

Plonking good sense

From Mr John Gere

Sir, Graham Gooch was reported as having celebrated some triumph on the cricket field last week by opening a bottle of perfectly good champagne and spraying some of the contents over the bystanders. What was left in the bottle he then poured over the head of Graham Thorpe.

In his autobiography, *The Puppet Show of Memory*, Maurice Baring described evenings at Oxford in the 1890s when "port was drunk and thrown about the room. Indeed, we had a special brand of port, which was called throwing port, for the purpose".

Could not some special brand of spraying champagne be developed?

Yours etc,
JOHN GERE,
21 Lamont Road, SW10.
July 13.

Wrong horse

From the General Secretary of the TUC

Sir, Your cartoonist, Richard Willson, illustrates Roy Hattersley's article (July 16) about Labour and trade union block votes with a cartoon depicting ringmaster John Smith and a horse labelled TUC.

I must point out that the TUC itself is in no way involved in the discussions between the Labour party and its affiliated unions over block votes. That is a matter for individual unions and more than half the TUC's unions, representing two million out of our 7.3 million members, are not affiliated to the Labour party.

Yours sincerely,
NORMAN WILLIS,
General Secretary,
Trades Union Congress,
Congress House,
Great Russell Street, WC1.
July 16.

Wimbledon reflection

From Mr Geoffrey A. K. Robinson

Sir, A number of journalists and commentators have remarked upon the fact that the doubles matches at Wimbledon seem to take very much second place to the singles matches and they ought somehow to be upgraded.

A simple way would be to present the trophies for these matches in the same way as the singles trophies, i.e., on the court, giving the players full opportunity to show them off to TV, the crowd and the press, rather than receiving their cups, salvers, etc in the comparative obscurity of the royal box.

This would make it plain that these matches are just as good and important as the singles.

Yours faithfully,
G. A. K. ROBINSON,
Joseph Bell & Son Stained Glass,
68 Park Street, Bristol.
July 6.

Behaviour of bees

From Dr H. R. C. Riches

Sir, After the tragic death of his friend Professor Ralph Johnson, apparently from multiple bee stings, Sir Claus Moser is reported to have lamented: "What got into those bees in that awful moment, we'll never know" (obituary and article, "Honey's fatal sting", July 6). In reality, bad-tempered episodes in previously docile colonies is not a great mystery to experienced beekeepers.

It must always be remembered that honey bees are not domesticated creatures which can be trained to recognise their master like cats, dogs and horses, etc. They are not inherently aggressive but have strong defensive instincts and will defend their colony to the death, be it themselves or an intruder.

At this time of year, when food is plentiful, the likely cause of unexpected colony bad temper is probably either increased colony alertness because of earlier disturbance by persons or animals, or critical activities within the colony such as preparations to swarm or supersede an old queen, or the return of foraging workers contaminated with chemical pesticides used by zealous gardeners and farmers in the neighbourhood.

Such chemicals on returning foragers mask their natural odour by which they are normally recognised by the colony guard bees. As a result the whole colony is alerted to repel what are perceived to be potential robbers from another hive.

Over a period of many years I have made a special study of the medical aspects of insect stings. On average there are five or six deaths in the UK each year attributed to stings, most being due to serious allergic reactions caused by the assaults of single, or very few insects. Unfortunately stings have sometimes been wrongly blamed initially for sudden tragic deaths, the true cause only being determined after autopsy.

Yours faithfully,
H. R. C. RICHES
(President, British Beekeepers' Association, 1987-8),
2 South Approach, Moor Park,
Northwood, Middlesex.

From Mr Harold Groom

Sir, Professor Johnson's death may have been caused by a vagrant swarm of bees. A vagrant swarm is one which left the parent hive several days previously and, having failed to find a home, is short of food and consequently vicious.

Some years ago I was called to an old lady's home to deal with a swarm on a rose bush. I was not told that the bees had been there several days and drenched by thunderstorms. (Bees do not like thundery weather even normally.) I suffered more than 100 stings before retreating. Fortunately I have acquired some immunity over a period of 50 years' beekeeping.

Vagrant swarms should be sprayed with a solution of sugar or honey and water, be shaded from the sun and left an hour or two to gorge.

Beekeepers beware!

Yours sincerely,
HAROLD GROOM,
Manor Farm,
Dethick, nr Matlock,
Derbyshire.
July 7.

Letters should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be faxed to 071-782 5046.

Better late?

From Mr Thomas Leddy

Sir, I was recently chuffed to receive from my old chambers (I am now a solicitor) a fee note and a cheque from the Legal Aid board for £50. I was a little disappointed to see that my brief fee had been reduced from £100 to £50. It was nevertheless a pleasure to receive it, especially when the hearing before Master Munro was on May 8, 1987 — a mere 74 months ago.

Under what section does this come on my tax return?

Yours faithfully,
T. LEDDY,
18 The Marlborough,
61 Walton Street, SW3.
July 15.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 16: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh today visited East Kent and were received at Margate Station by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Kent (the Lord Kingsdown).

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness this morning drove to Ramsgate Harbour and were received by the Chairman, Thanet District Council (Mrs Margaret Mortlock), the Chairman, Royal National Lifeboat Institution (Mr Michael Vernon), the Director (Lieutenant Commander Brian Miles) and the Mayor of Ramsgate Town (Councillor John Kirby).

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh attended a Service of Dedication of a new lifeboat presented by the National Police Lifeboat Appeal (Chairman, Dr Ian Oliver) and Her Majesty named the lifeboat *Her Majesty The Queen*.

The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, afterwards honoured the Commodore, Royal Temple Yacht Club (Mr Frank Roberts) with her presence at Luncheon.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness this afternoon visited Sericol Group Limited, Broadstairs, and were received by the Director Chemicals, Sericol Limited (Dr Gerald Owen) and the Mayor of Broadstairs and St Peters (Mrs Barbara Hooker).

Having toured the premises, escorted by the Chief Executive, Sericol International (Mr Warren Galloway), The Queen opened the new Sericol International Offices in Pysons Road and, with The Duke of Edinburgh, met those involved in the project which won The Queen's Award for Environmental Achievement in 1993.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness later visited the Royal Sea Bathing Hospital, Margate, were received by the Mayor of Margate Town (Councillor Charles Young) and toured the hospital, escorted by the Chief Executive (Mr Barry Page) and the Director of Orthopaedics and Accident and Emergency (Mr Martin Conybeare).

The Lady Farnham, Sir Kenneth Scott and Major James Patrick were in attendance.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 16: The Prince of Wales this afternoon gave a Garden Party for volunteers who assist The Prince's Trusts and other organisations.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 16: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon this afternoon visited Northumberland and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Northumberland (The Viscount Ridley).

Her Royal Highness attended a ceremony at Cawfields to mark the designation by Unesco of Hadrian's Wall as a World Heritage Site.

The Hon Mrs Whitehead and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick were in attendance.

Royal engagements

TODAY: Prince Edward, as Patron of the Ocean Youth Club, will visit Walkers School, Newcastle upon Tyne, at 10.00; will visit sail training ships at Newcastle Quay at 11.05; and will start the parade of sail at Tyne Bridge at noon before the Cutty Sark 1993 Tall Ships Race. As Patron of the London Mozart Players and President of The Lord's Taverners, he will attend a Summer Prom followed by dinner at the Fairfield Halls, Croydon, at 6.30.

TOMORROW: The Prince of Wales, as Patron of Tetbury Church Restoration and Improvement Fund, will attend a fundraising opera at Chavenage, Tetbury, at 8.00.

Dinners

HM Government
Mr Ian Lang, Secretary of State for Scotland, was host last night at a dinner held in Edinburgh Castle to mark the seventy-fifth anniversary of the RAF. Earlier the Band of the RAF Regiment beat retreat on Crown Square.

Atlantic Council
Mr David Griffiths was host at a dinner held last night at the New Cavendish Club for Fellows of the Atlantic Council of the United Kingdom to meet a delegation of members of the Chinese Association of Foreign Service Industry.

London School of Economics and Political Science
The Chairman of the Court of Governors, Sir Peter Parker and the Director, Dr John Ashworth, were hosts at a Dinner held on Thursday at the London School of Economics and Political Science to introduce the new Honorary Fellows, Professor James Durbin, Mr Pierre Daniel Joxe, Mr David J. Kingsley, Dr S.R. Sen, Professor Susan Strange and His Honour Judge Stephen Tumim. The toast to the new Honorary Fellows was proposed by Professor Derek Diamond and the response was given by Professor Susan Strange.

University of Sheffield
Lord Dainton, Chancellor of the University of Sheffield, was host at the Graduation Dinner held last night in Firth Hall. Sir Geoffrey Allen proposed the toast to the University. Professor Gareth Roberts, Vice-Chancellor, proposed the toast to the guests.

Plumbers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Plumbers' Company for the ensuing year:
Master, Mr G.E. Banks; Upper Warden, Mr J. Jones; Renter Warden, Mr J. Jeffery.

Deputy lieutenant

Colonel Alan Hackford Protheroe has been created a deputy lieutenant for Buckinghamshire.

Birthdays

TODAY: Sir Hardy Amies, fashion designer, 84; Mr Richard Barker, headmaster, Sevenoaks School, 54; Mr Tim Brooke-Taylor, actor, 53; Sir Alan Cottrell, former vice-chancellor, Cambridge University, 74; Mr Raymond Galton, scriptwriter, 63; Baroness Gardner of Parkes, 66; Mr W. Gordon Graham, publisher, 73; Mr Eric Hammond, trades unionist, 64; Sir William Heseltine, former Private Secretary to The Queen, 63; Lord Lane, former Lord Chief Justice, 75; the Right Rev D.R. Lunn, Bishop of Sheffield, 63; Mr John Patten, MP, 48; Dr



Wayne Sleep, the ballet dancer, is 45 today

Marjorie Reeves, historian, 88; Marqués de Samaranch, president, International Olympic Committee, 73; Sir Kenneth Stowe, civil servant, 66; Mr Donald Sutherland, actor, 58; Mr Bob Taylor, cricketer, 52; His Honour Sir David West-Russell, 72; Mr P.D.V. Wilkes, headmaster, Cheltenham College, 52; Mr Terrel Wyatt, former chairman, Costain Group, 66.

TOMORROW: Mr Kenneth Armitage, sculptor, 77; Lady Bingley, social worker, 68; Mr Edward Bond, playwright and director, 59; Mr Richard Branson, chairman, Virgin Group, 43; Mr G.H.G. Doggart, former headmaster, King's School, Bruton, 68; Sir William Doughty, chairman, North West Thames Regional Health Authority, 68; Viscount Esher, 80; Mr Nick Faldo, golfer, 36; Mr John Fraser, chairman, Ciba-Geigy, 62; Senator John Glenn, ex-astronaut, 72; Mr David Hemery, athlete, 49; Miss Elizabeth Jennings, author, 67; Vice-Admiral Sir Louis Le Bailly, 78; Mr Denis Lillee, cricketer, 44; Mr Nelson Mandela, president, African National Congress, 75; Mr Anthony Miles, publisher, 63; Mr Richard Pasco, actor, 67; Sir Robert Speed, QC, former Counsel to the Speaker, 88; Dr G.M. Stephen, headmaster, The Perse School, Cambridge, 44; Sir Jamie Stormonth Darling, former director, National Trust for Scotland, 75; Mr Jim Watt, boxer, 45; Dr B.C.L. Weedon, former vice-chancellor, Nottingham University, 70.

Anniversaries

Today
BIRTHS: Andrea del Sarto, painter, Florence, 1486; Isaac Watts, hymn writer, Southampton, 1674; John Jacob Astor, fur trader, Waldorf, Germany, 1763; Paul Delaroche, painter, Paris, 1797; Martin Tupper, poet, Marylebone, 1810; Shmuel Agnon, novelist, Nobel laureate 1966, Buczacz, Galicia (now Poland), 1888; Earl Stanley Gardner, detective story writer, Malden, Massachusetts, 1889; James Cagney, actor, New York, 1899; Christina Ellen Stead, novelist, Sydney, New South Wales, 1902.

DEATHS: Janet Douglas, Lady Glamis, burnt at the stake, Edinburgh, 1537; William Somerville, poet, Edstone, Warwickshire, 1742; Adam Smith, economist, Edinburgh, 1790; Charlotte Corday, assassin of Jean-Paul Marat, executed, Paris, 1793; Charles Grey, 2nd Earl Grey, Prime Minister 1832-4, Alnwick, Northumberland, 1845; John Lingard, Roman Catholic historian, Hornby, Lancashire, 1851; Alvaro Obregón, President of Mexico 1920-24, assassinated, Mexico City, 1928; James McNeill Whistler, painter, London, 1903; Jules-Henri Poincaré, French statesman, Paris, 1912; George William Russell (A.E.), writer, Bournemouth, 1935; Draza Mihajlovic, leader of Yugoslav Chetniks, executed, Belgrade, 1946; Billie Holiday, jazz singer, New York, 1959.

The Potsdam Conference, headed by Churchill (later, Attlee), Truman and Stalin, opened, 1945.

Tomorrow
BIRTHS: Robert Hooke, physicist, Freshwater, Isle of Wight, 1635; Gilbert White, clergyman and naturalist, Selbourne, Hampshire, 1720; Feargus O'Connor, Chartist leader, Connorville, co. Cork, 1794; William Makepeace Thackeray, Calcutta, 1811; W.G. Grace, cricketer, Downend, Gloucestershire, 1848; Philip Snowden, Viscount Snowden, statesman, Ickornshaw, Yorkshire, 1864.

DEATHS: Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio, painter, Port Ercole, Italy, 1610; Antonio Vieira, Jesuit missionary, Salvador, Brazil, 1697; Jean-Antoine Watteau, painter, Nogent-sur-Marne, 1721; John Paul Jones, naval adventurer, Paris, 1792; Jane Austen, novelist, Winchester, 1817; Benito Juarez, President of Mexico 1861-72, Mexico City, 1872; Arthur Penrhyn Stanley, Dean of Westminster 1864-81, London, 1881; Thomas Cook, travel agent pioneer, Leicester, 1892; Don Carlos, pretender to the Spanish throne, Varese, Italy, 1909; Hermann Adler, Chief Rabbi of the British Empire 1891-1911, London, 1911; Corneille Heymans, physiologist, Nobel laureate 1938, Knokke, Belgium, 1968; Jack Hawkins, actor, London, 1973.

The Vatican Council promulgated the Dogma of Papal Infallibility, 1870.

The Spanish Civil War began, 1936.

Appointment

Timothy Andrew Wigram Lloyd, QC, to be Attorney General of the Duchy and Attorney and Serjeant within the County Palatine of Lancaster in place of the Hon Mrs Justice Arden.



Woman on top: Rebecca Stephens, the Everest mountaineer, relaxes with John McCarthy, the former Beirut hostage, after receiving a European Woman of Achievement award in London yesterday. Mr McCarthy had nominated another award winner, Helen Bamber, director of the Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture. Two businesswomen were also honoured by the European Union of Women: Anke Harris, managing director of Mapline Engineering, Gundy Harris and Co; and Elizabeth Vann, head of Captiva Baby Foods International.

Latest wills

Sir Patrick Arthur Macrory, of Walton on the Hill, Surrey, barrister, industrialist and military historian, left estate valued at £174,424 net. He left £5,000 to Trinity College, Oxford.

Diana Mary Margaret, Lady Avebury, of Exbury, Hants, the former literary agent, left estate valued at £375,218.

Margaret Evelyn Geraldine Hall, of Criccieth, Gwynedd, left estate valued at £325,496 net.
She left £5,500 and effects to personal legatees, and the residue equally between Dr Barnardo's, Cheshire Foundation, Help the Aged, the Society for the Assistance of Ladies in Reduced Circumstances, RNLI, NSPCC and Royal British Legion.

Mrs Corona Victoria Macdonald, of Barnet, Herts, left estate valued at £7,218,959 net. She left her estate to relatives.

Lady Marjorie Elaine Claye, of Cambridge, widow of Sir Andrew Claye, former Emeritus Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at Leeds University, left estate valued at £166,169 net.

Mrs Marjorie Anthony, of Barry, South Glamorgan, left estate valued at £2,406,110 net.
She left £160,000, a life interest in a further £100,000, and her home and effects to family and other personal legatees, £5,000 to Bethel Baptist Chapel, Barry and the residue for such charitable uses as her executors select.

Mr Charles Joseph Cook, of Old Coulsdon, Surrey, who died intestate, left estate valued at £889,656 net.

Other estates include (net before tax):
Phyllis Barratt, of Windermere, Cumbria £588,205
Mary Bealey, of Lansdown, Bath, Avon £768,330
Nora Beck, of Friars Cliff, Dorset £568,597
Mrs Elizabeth Eileen Stuart-Buttle, of London W11 .... £878,345
Mr John Dudley Robinson, of Hellingly, Hailsham, East Sussex £516,251

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J.A. Coleman and Mrs J.M. Woolger
The engagement is announced between John, son of the late Mr R. Coleman and of Mrs M.A.J. Coleman, of St Peter, Jersey, and Janet, daughter of Mr W.H. Bieber, of Quebec, Canada, and Mrs P. Bieber, of London, W1.

Mr T.A. Forster and Miss S. Diamond
The engagement is announced between Tony, son of Mr and Mrs Thomas Cyril Forster, of Wilmslow, Cheshire, and Sharon, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Woolf Diamond, of Hendon, North West London.

Prince A.M. Galitzine and Miss T. Meade
The engagement is announced between Andrei Mikhailovitch, son of Prince and Princess M.V. Galitzine, of Moscow, and Tatiana (Tania), twin elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.M. Meade, of Hedenham, Norfolk.

Mr J-B. Hugo and Miss C. Cowan
The engagement is announced between Jean-Baptiste, son of Mme Loretta Hugo and the late M Jean Hugo, and Carolyn, eldest daughter of Mrs Gerald Cooper and the late Mr J.A. Cowan.

Mr C.R. Iveson and Miss R.A. Mitchell
The engagement is announced between Colin, youngest son of Mr B.J. Iveson, of Middlebarton, Oxfordshire, and the late Mrs M.C. Iveson, and Rebecca, only daughter of Mr K.A. Mitchell, of Henley-in-Arden, Warwickshire, and Mrs R.G.A. Parkin, of Sutton Park, Worcestershire.

Mr E.P.H. James and Miss M.P.R. Davidge
The engagement is announced between Edward, younger son of Emeritus Professor and Mrs Philip S. James, of Whitfield, Northamptonshire, and Mary, daughter of the late Mr Vere Davidge and of Mrs Philippa Davidge, of Greens Norton, Northamptonshire.

Mr A.N. Lyndon-Skeggs and Mrs R.J. Baird
The engagement is announced between Andrew Lyndon-Skeggs, of Holybourne, Hampshire, and Rosemary, widow of Commander Andrew Baird, OBE, Royal Navy, of Hambledon, Hampshire. The marriage will take place quietly next year.

Mr H.R.B. Macleod and Miss C.S. Bogard
The engagement is announced between Hector Robert Bruce, elder son of the late Mr Roderick Macleod and of Mrs Laudie Constantine, of Morton-Hampstead, Devon, and Charlotte Samantha, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Harvey Bogard, of Carlton Hill, London.

Mr A.W.D. Millar and Miss P. Soltová
The engagement is announced between Alastair, son of Mr and Mrs David Millar, of Washington, West Sussex, and Pavla, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jaromír Solta, of Bohusovice nad Ohrí, Czech Republic.

Mr A.G. Serle and Miss A. Behrmann
The engagement is announced between Adam, elder son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Serle, of Wiltons Yard, Beach, Bitton, Bristol, and Annouchka, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Lance Behrmann, of London, SW7.

Mr J.R. Strong and Miss S. Collinson-Jones
The engagement is announced between Jeremy, younger son of Mr and Mrs Derek Strong, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire, and Sara, daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Collinson-Jones, of Weybridge, Surrey.

Mr S.A. Wiltshire and Miss V.C. Brotherton
The engagement is announced between Stewart, son of Mr Colin Wiltshire, of Brussels, Belgium, and of Mrs Diana Wiltshire, of Peterborough, Cambridgeshire, and Vanessa, daughter of Dr and Mrs Ian Brotherton, of Over Haddon, Derbyshire.

Mr K.D. Woods and Miss D. Graham
The engagement is announced between Kevin Woods, of Behoes Cottages, Woodcote, Oxon, and Doreen Graham, of Eastleigh Avenue, Reading.

Marriages

Mr C.L. Drewitt and Miss J. Hindley
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 10, at Victoria Methodist Church, Bristol, of Clive Drewitt, of Hurstpierpoint, Sussex, to Joanna Hindley, of Bristol.

Mr E.A. Matthews and Miss M.M. Gilmore
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 10, 1993, at All Saints' Church, Fulham, between Mr Eamonn Matthews, son of the late Mr Wilfred Matthews and of Mrs Brede Matthews, of Crawley, Sussex, to Miss Margaret Gilmore, daughter of the Rev Canon Norman and Mrs Gilmore, of Rustington, Sussex. The Rev Michael Fuller officiated assisted by the bride's father.

College of Estate Management

The President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Sir Thomas Bingham, Master of the Rolls, presented Diplomas in Arbitration and gave an address to successful students of the College at an assembly held at the University of Reading yesterday evening.

The Chairman of the College, Mr Stephen Burman, and the Principal, Mr Peter Goodacre, each gave an address. The President's Prize, awarded by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators for the highest overall mark in the examinations, was presented to Mr Simon Wooller.

Lincoln's Inn

Charles Aldous, QC, has been elected a Bencher of Lincoln's Inn from July 15.

Church services tomorrow

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.30 M; 11 Sung Euch, Messe Solennelle (Langlais), Ave verum (Elgar), Rev J H R de Sausmarez; 3.15 E, Responses (Leighton), Kelly in C, Zadok the priest (Handel); 6.30 Sermon & Compline, Rev R C E Day.

CARLISLE CATHEDRAL: 10.30 Sung Euch, Chant de Mai (Jongen), Darke in F, O sacrum convivium (Messiaen), Fiat lux (Dubois), Canon David Jenkins, 3 E, Responses (Lloyd), Jesus Service (Mathias), Blessed City (Bairstow), Toccata Giocosa (Mathias); 6.30 NP, Mr Leslie Boumphrey.

CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL: 7.30 MP; 8 HC; 9.30 Parish Communion, Canon Peter Southwell-Sander; 11.15 Sung Euch, Open thy gates (Harrison), Missa O quam Gloriosum (Victoria), Agnus Dei, Canon David Knight; 6 Choral E, Responses (Rose), Canticles (Dyson in D), Laudate Dominum (Mozart), Vice Provost.

CHESTER CATHEDRAL: 7.45 Litany (St Erasmus Chapel); 8 HC; 10 Choral M, Te Deum (Rutter in C), Benedictus, Canon Owen Conway; 11.30 Choral Euch, Jackson in G, Amen (Naylor); 3.30 Choral E, Responses (Rose), Dyson in F, The Lord is my Shepherd (Stanford), Amen (Naylor), Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in B major (Dupré); 6.30 E, Canon Cecil Clarke.

DURHAM CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.30 HC, Darke in F, Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Bairstow), The Precentor; 11.30 M for Courts of Justice, Responses (Rose), Te Deum in G (Vaughan Williams), Jubilate Deo in E flat (Britten), A Hymn of St Columba (Britten), Rt Rev Mgr R Atherton; 3.30 E, Bairstow in D, Bring us, O Lord God (Harris), Closing Responses (Rose), Voluntary: Placare Christe servulis (Dupré).

ELY CATHEDRAL: 8.15 HC; 10.30 Sung Euch, Darke in E, Here, O my Lord (Whitlock), Organ: Toccata in F sharp minor (Buxtehude), The Dean; 3.45 E, Preces (Holmes), St Paul's Service (Howells), Sing we merrily (Campbell).

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL: 7.45 Litany; 8 HC; 9.30 Sung Euch, Little Organ Mass (Haydn), Jesu, joy of man's desiring (Bach), The Subdean; 11.15 M, Responses (Wilhelm), Stanford in B flat, Jubilate in F (Ireland), Locus iste (Bruckner); 12.30 HC; 3.45 E, Responses (Wilhelm), Noble in B minor, The king shall rejoice (Handel), Canon J L Rhodes.

LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10.30 Sung Euch, Schubert in G, Hymn for St Cecilia (Howells), Ave Maria (Parsons), The Dean; 3.30 E & Thanksgiving for the Ministry of the Very Rev John Haley, Responses (Rose), Stanford in C, Evening Hymn (Balfour Gardiner).

LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL: 7.30 M & Litany; 8 Holy Euch, Rev J F Redvers Harris; 9 Parish Euch, Rev J F Redvers Harris; 11 Sung Euch, Darke in F, Ave verum corpus (Byrd), Canon in Residence; 12.15 Holy Euch (Lady Chapel); 3.30 Choral E, Responses (Byrd), Canticles (Kelly in C), Let all the world in every corner sing (Leighton); 6.30 Parish E & Sermon, Rev Boon-Hor Khoo.

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL: 8.45 MP; 9 HC; 10.30 Sung Euch, Messe Solennelle (Langlais), Benedictus (Langlais), Canon Albert Radcliffe; 6.30 E, Noble in A minor, Responses (Ayleward), O glorious is the kingdom (Harwood), Rev Brian Locke.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: 9 Euch; 11 Choral Euch, Messe solennelle (Vierne), Ave Maria (Parsons), Ave verum (Byrd), Provost; 3 E, Wood in F (Collegium Regale), Blessed city, heavenly Salem (Bairstow), Canon Roy White.

TRURO CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9 M, The Librarian; 10 Sung Euch, O taste and see (Vaughan Williams), Collegium Regale (Howells), Thou knowest Lord (Purcell), Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in G (Bach), Canon Maurice Friggens; 6 E, Responses (Sanders), Gloucester Service (Howells), Steal Away (arr. Tippett), Voluntary: Le Monde dans l'attente du Sauveur (Dupré), The Dean.

WELLS CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.45 Sung Euch, Very Rev R Lewis; 11.30 M; 3 E, Preb R C Dean; 6.30 Living Water, Bishop of Taunton.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: 8 HC; 10 M, Responses (Neary), Stanford in B flat, Like as the hart (Howells), Canon Paul Bates; 11.15 Abbey Euch, Mass in D (Mozart), Ave verum corpus (Mozart), Laudate Dominum (Mozart), Canon Paul Bates; 3 E, Magnificat quinti toni (Praetorius), Nunc dimittis (Parsons), Jehovah quam multi sunt hostes (Purcell), Rev David Randall; 5.45 Organ: Stafan Bleicher & Mario Horpachs; 6.30 ES, Canon Donald Gray.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: Masses 7, 8, 9, 12, 5.30 & 7; 10.30 SM, The Frenches Mass (Shepherd), Qui me dignatus est (Berkeley), O sacrum convivium (Tallis), Sortie (Messiaen); 10 MP; 2.30 Organ recital, Meirion Wynne Jones; 3.30 Solemn V & B, Magnificat octavi toni (Viadana), Confitebor tibi Domine (Lassus), Prelude & Fugue in A (Bach).

YORK MINSTER: 8 & 8.45 HC; 10 Sung Euch, Missa Brevis (Mozart), Ave verum corpus (Elgar), Very Rev John Southgate; 11.30 M, Responses, Collegium Regale (Howells); 4 E, Stanford in A, Insanae et vanae curae (Haydn), Canon Ralph Mayland.

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: LM 6pm (Sat); 8, 10 (Family Service) & 6 LM; 11.30 SM, Fr Anthony Richins.

ST GILES' CATHEDRAL, Edinburgh: 8 HC, Rev Kirkley C Sands; 10 HC, Rev Howard H Gordon; 11.30 MS, O pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Howells), Rev J Barrie Shepherd; St Giles' at 6, Carole Clarke (mezzosoprano), George Wilson (piano); 8 ES, Rev David Macleod.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 8.30 M; 11 HC, Missa in Angustiis (Haydn), Ave verum corpus (Mozart), Canon Christopher Hill; 3.15 E, The Jesus Service (Mathias), Responses (Naylor), Blessed city, heavenly Salem (Bairstow), Voluntary: Toccata & Fugue in D minor, Very Rev Peter Moore.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, Dundee: 8 HC; 9.40 Sung Communion; 11 Sung Euch, Rt Rev L Luscombe; 6.30 Sung E, Canon Jones.

ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street, W1: 8 & 5.15 LM; 10.20 MP; 11 HM, Coronation Mass (Mozart), Locus iste (Bruckner), Canon D S Painter; 6 E & B, Stanford in A, I was glad (Parry), Te Deum in G (Vaughan Williams), Canon P A Delaney.

ALL SOULS, Langham Place, W1: 11 Mr David Turner; 6.30 Rev Stephen Wookey.

AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, Tottenham Court Rd, W1: 9.45 Sunday School; 11 Worship, Rev James Schmidt.

THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Street, W1: 11 Missa brevis (Casali), Regina coeli (Lotti), O sacrum convivium (Farrant).

CHELSEA OLD CHURCH, SW3: 8 HC; 10 Children's Service; 11 M, Rev Ernest Rea, Rejoice in the Lord Alway (Purcell), 12.15 HC; 6 E, Mr D Royce.

CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Covent Garden, WC2: 11.15 & 6.30 Rev Stanley Hood.

FARM STREET, W1: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.15 Fr Anthony Meredith, 4.15, 6.15 LM; 11 HM, Missa Laudis (Peeters), Ave Maria (Alain), O salutaris hostia (Elgar).

HOLY TRINITY BROMPTON, Brompton Road, SW7: 9 HC, Miss Viergina Cox; 11 Informal Service (Creche & Children's Church), Rev Nicholas Gumbel; 6.30 Informal Service, Rev Sandy Millar.

THE ORATORY, Brompton Road, SW7: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass, Colloredo Mass (Mozart), Laudibus in sanctis (Byrd) 12.30, 4.30, 7; 3.30 V & B, Ave verum (Elgar).

ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD AND ALL SAINTS, Ennismore Gardens, SW7: 10.30 Divine Liturgy, Choral music of the Kievan & Znamenny traditions sung in Church Slavonic.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, EC2: 9.45 HC; 11 MS, Rev Paul Hulme.

WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Methodist), SW1: 11 & 6.30 Rev R John Tudor (Hosting Texas Wesleyan University).

ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutheran), Gresham St, EC2: 11 Choral HC (live broadcast on ITV), Rev Ronald T Englund; 7 Bach Vespers, Es ist das Heil uns kommen her (Bach), Concerto in C minor for oboe and violin (Bach), Nun danket alle Gott (Schein), Rev Jaakko Rusama (Finnish Institute).

ST BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT, Smithfield, EC1: 9 HC; 11 M & HC, Responses (Reading), Hunt in C, Beati quorum via (Stanford), The Rector; 6.30 Choral Euch, Short Communion Service (Gibbons), Ave verum corpus (Byrd), The Rector.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street, EC4: 11 Choral M & Euch, Jubilate (Sumsion), Setting: Ireland in C, The Lord's my shepherd (Brother James' Air), Canon John Oates; 6.30 Choral E, Responses (Moore), Walmisley in D minor, Insanae et vanae curae (Haydn), Canon John Oates.

ST CLEMENT DANES: 9 HC; 11 Choral Euch, Darke in F, O Mortal Man (Weelkes), Rev G B McAvoy.

ST ETHELDREDA'S, Ely Place: 11 Messe basse (Fauré), Maria, mater gratiae (Fauré).

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square, W1: 8.30 HC; 11 Sung Euch, Missa Brevis (Victoria), Glorious and powerful God (Stanford), The Rector.

ST LUKE'S, Chelsea, SW3: 8 & 12.15 HC; 10.30 Sung Euch, Missa de Angelis, Justorum animae (Byrd), Rev Victor Stock; 6.30 E, God's goodness (Bridge), Rev Derek Watson.

ST MARGARET'S, Westminster, SW1: 11 Sung Euch, Messe Solennelle (Vierne), Faire is the heaven (Harris), Festival Te Deum (Gutteridge), Very Rev Michael Mayne.

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS, WC2: 8 HC; 9.45 Euch, Rev John Pridmore; 11.30 Visitors to London Service, Rev John Pridmore; 12.30 HC; 2.45 Chinese Service, Rev Joyce Bennett; 5 Choral E; 6.30 ES, Rev Bernhard Schunemann.

ST MARY'S, Bourne Street, SW1: 9, 9.45, 7 LM; 11 HM, Communion Service (Causton), Canon Gordon Reid; 6 Solemn E & B.

ST MARY-THE-VIRGIN, Primrose Hill: 8 HC; 10.30 Parish Euch, Missa Brevis (Caesar), O clap your hands (Greene), Rev John Ovenden; 6 Choral E (followed by Taize Service).

ST MARYLEBONE, Marylebone Road, W1: 8 HC; 11 Choral Euch, Missa Lumen de Lumine (Berkeley), In the heart where love is abiding (Barnard), The Rector; 6.30 EP.

ST PETER'S, Eaton Square, SW1: 8.15 HC; 10 Family Euch; 11 Sung Euch, Communion Service in B flat (Stanford), Rev Fr Alan Childwick.

ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road, SW7: 8 & 9 LM; 11 SM, Messe en style ancien (Langlais), Salve Regina (Poulenc), Tantum Ergo (Duruflé), Fr Neil Cocking; 6 EP & B.

CHAPEL ROYAL OF ST PETER AD VINCULA, HM Tower of London: 9.15 HC; 11 M & Sermon, Responses (Ayleward), Te Deum (Stanford in A), Jubilate, O Where shall Wisdome be Found? (Boyce), The Archdeacon of London, The Ven George Cassidy.

CHAPEL ROYAL, St James's Palace: 8.30 HC; 11.15 MP, Hear my prayer (Purcell), Rev D T Tonge.

CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace: 8.30 HC; 11 M, Responses (Smith), Stanford in C, For I went with the multitude (Aston); 3.30 E, O Lord the maker (Joubert), Wood in F, My soul, there is a country (Parry).

GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street, W1: 11 Sung Euch, Missa Brevis (Mozart), I was glad (Parry), Ven Derek Haywood.

QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY, WC2: 11 M, Te Deum (Gibbons Short Service), Haec Dies (Byrd), Rev William McKeachie; 12.30 HC.

THE TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street: 8.30 HC; 11.15 MP, Responses (Ayleward), Te Deum Laudamus ([illegible] in E), Jubilate Deo (Walton), Laudamus te (Bach Mass in B minor), Voluntary: March Heroique (Brewer), Rt Rev John Waine, Bishop of Chelmsford.

GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks, SW1: 11 M, Almighty God, who hast me brought (Ford), Benedictus, Voluntary: Dubinushka (Rimsky-Korsakov), Rev K R Joyce (Band of The Life Guards); 12 HC.

ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich, SE10: 11 Sung Euch, O Lord Support Us (Besly), How Beauteous Are Their Feet (Stanford), The Chaplain.

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AMBROSE - On July 14th 1993, to Sarah (née Mulcare) and Peter, a daughter, Georgina Alice Elizabeth.

BAILEY - See Littleproud.

BYSOUTH - On 26th June to Sarah and Ian, a son, Rory. Best wishes from Val and Ed the Duck!

COLACICCHI - On 16th July, to Clare (née Clutterbuck) and William, a daughter, Caroline Daisy, a sister for Cecilia and Lucy.

HETT - On 28th June, to Elizabeth and Charles, a daughter, Sally Jane.

LITTLEPROUD - On 9th June 1993, to Susan (née Bailey) and David, a beautiful daughter, Rosanna Keziah, a sister for Adam.

MAUDUIT - Born July 8th at The Portland Hospital, to Jacqueline (née Pickles) and Guy, a son, Matthew Michael Strickland.

MAY - On July 15th at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Sheleigh (formerly Farrell) and Christopher, a son, Jonathan Alexander Fraser.

PETRE - On July 13th, to Emma and Jonathan, a daughter, Eleanor Mary Rosamond, a sister for Robert.

RUSCOMBE-KING - On July 13th in Exeter, to Kate (née Anstey) and Matthew, a daughter, Maria Natalia.

TITTENSOR - On July 14th, to Sharon (née Curran) and Stephen, a daughter, Alice Georgia.

VERDON - On July 13th at Nairobi General, to Annette (née Pennick) and Timothy, a daughter, Jessica Lucy.

RUBY ANNIVERSARIES

DICKENS:PRICE - On July 18th 1953, at St. Mark's, North Audley Street, Lieutenant D.A.G. Dickens R.N.R. to Ruth Mary.

DEATHS

BROUGH - On July 14th 1993, Sally, peacefully after "a long and wonderful life". Beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Private family cremation.

CRAMER - Elizabeth of Elmswell, Bury St Edmunds, on 14th July peacefully in hospital, aged 85. Dearly loved mother of Jeremy and Timothy Lever. Service at Bury St Edmunds Crematorium at 11.15 am on 21st July. Flowers or donations, if desired, to West Suffolk Hospital, Bury St Edmunds.

DAUBENY - On 15th July 1993, Ronald Giles Daubeny, OBE, Indian Police and Indian Political Service (Retired). Last Comptroller of the Viceroy's Household. Four days before his 85th birthday. Devoted husband of the late Ann and deeply loved father of Philip and Giles. Funeral Service at St Nicholas Church, Linton, Maidstone, at 2.30 pm on Thursday 22nd July. Enquiries to Birds Funeral Directors, (0622) 692949.

HAMER - Michael George (formerly Mikolaj Jerzy Pyplacz-Gaiol). Dearest friend and loving husband of Dorothea, died suddenly at home, Kirkby Lonsdale, Cumbria, July 13th 1993.

ROBINSON - On July 16th at her home at Holymoorside, Chesterfield, Alexandria Denys Robinson, aged 66 years. Dearly loved wife of Robert Robinson, dear mother of Ben, Bill and Jennifer, and a much loved grandmother. Funeral Service at Old Brampton Parish Church on Thursday July 22nd at 11.45am followed by Private Cremation. No flowers please but donations, if desired, for the Chesterfield Inner Wheel Charity Fund may be sent to B Hattersley & Sons Ltd, 211 Chatsworth Road, Chesterfield S40 2BA.

STEPHENS - On 7th July 1993, peacefully, Hugo, beloved husband, father and grandfather. Funeral has taken place.

WARDER - Peacefully at Renacres Hall Independent Hospital, Halsall, Lancs., Mary Isabel Warder aged 84 years. Beloved wife of the late Howard R. Warder, aunt of Elizabeth and Michael, sister of the late Brian T Love. Sadly missed by all friends and family. A funeral service will be held at Rainford Parish Church (St Helens) on Thursday 22nd July at 1.15 pm followed by committal at St Helens Crematorium. No letters please, family flowers only. Donations if desired to the RNLI. All enquiries Mr J.S. Hedges Private Funeral Director, 8 Harris Street, St Helens, Merseyside WA10 2NW. tel: (0744) 22100.

WILLENZ - On July 15th in hospital after a short illness, Ilse Rose Charlotte in her 86th year, beloved wife of the late Julius. Ilse will be fondly remembered and sadly missed by her many good friends. In her latter years she coped cheerfully and courageously with ill-health and disability. Friends please meet for the funeral at 2 pm on Monday July 19th in St Bede's Chapel, Teesside Crematorium, Middlesbrough, Cleveland.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

EVANS - Kathleen Esther died 22nd January 1993. A recital in memory of Kay Evans will be held at the Museum of Garden History, Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7LB on 24th August 1993 at 7 pm. Those wishing to attend are requested to apply for tickets enclosing a SAE to Mrs John Nicholson at the Museum by 8th August at the latest.

IN MEMORIAM — PRIVATE

CROWN - Leon died 17th July 1992, beloved whilst living. Greatly missed.

LLOYD-LOWLES - David. I shall live until I die, then I shall live forever.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

JOHNSTON - Arthur F.E. Mrs Cyril Johnston and Lady Price thank all those who wrote letters of sympathy following the death in May of Mr Arthur F.E. Johnston.

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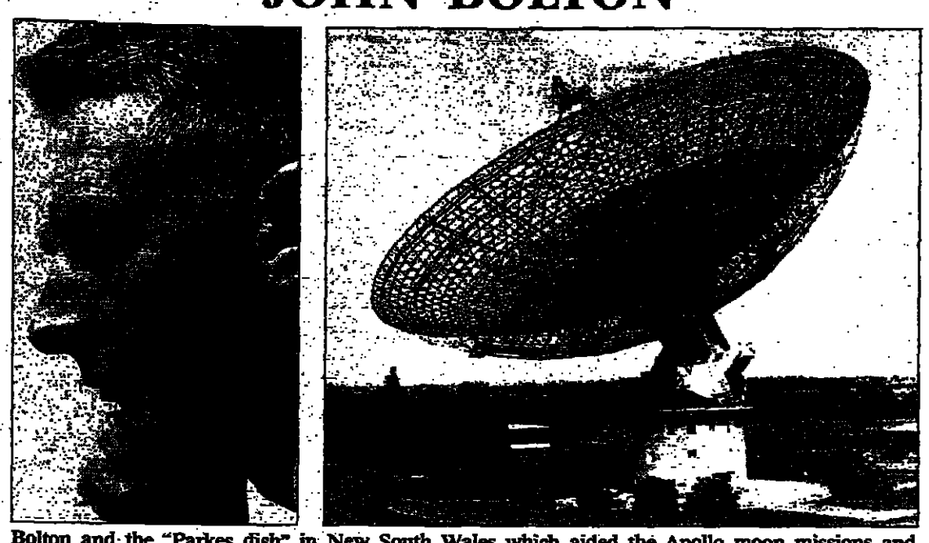
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OBITUARIES

JOHN BOLTON

John G. Bolton, CBE, FRS, director of the Australian National Radio Astronomy Observatory, 1961-1971, died in Buderim, Queensland, on July 6 aged 71. He was born in Sheffield, England, on 5 June, 1922.



Bolton and the "Parkes dish" in New South Wales which aided the Apollo moon missions and pinpointed 8,000 radio sources in space

JOHN BOLTON was a pioneer of radio astronomy, one of the breed of wartime radar scientists including Sir Martin Ryle and Sir Bernard Lovell who subsequently developed radio astronomy into the major arm of cosmic research which it is today.

As director of the Australian National Radio Astronomy Observatory at Parkes New South Wales, from 1961, he commissioned the 64-meter reflector whose construction had started a year earlier and in the planning of which he had been deeply involved. The "Parkes dish" completed within two years, remains fully committed in the forefront of research 30 years later, one of the most successful and cost-effective scientific instruments of all time.

Under Bolton's leadership, Parkes was prime station for NASA during the Apollo-11 to -17 moon missions, in the days before the global extent of NASA's deep space network. The first moonwalk was transmitted entirely from signals received at Parkes. Originally Parkes was not to participate in Apollo 13; but with the spacecraft crippled in power from the on-board explosion, Parkes was readied by Bolton and his team at six hours notice, the large collecting area detecting the weakened transmissions during the successful return of the stricken craft. In Apollo-mission preparation Bolton, typically, left nothing to chance. He learnt flight command sequences by heart. With the Australian sun beating down, he stood, stopwatch-in-hand, rehearsing teams of his perspiring staff in hand-cranking the axis gearing of the 1,000-ton dish at rates correct to follow the spacecraft should mains-power fail.

Bolton's career was wide-reaching and influential: his remarkable research advances involved not just extragalactic radio sources, but radio flares from the sun, the galactic radio background, the galactic centre, galactic magnetic fields, and galactic spectral-line emission. Time and again he successfully chose the key problems to research. The founder of two major radio observatories, he also played a pivotal role in the early stages of the outstanding 4-metre optical telescope of the Anglo-Australian Observatory at Siding Spring Mountain, NSW. In fact, Bolton more than anyone brought the sciences of radio and optical astronomy together, the subsequent fusion creating the multi-wavelength observational astronomy and cosmology of today. He did so by example, by poring over photographic plates for weeks at a time, by observing with the largest optical telescopes, and by showing optical astronomers that here was a "wire-welder" from whom much could be learnt — and frequently about their own field as well as his.

After taking his degree in mathematics and physics at Trinity College, Cambridge, Bolton in 1942 joined the Royal Navy, carrying out radar research at the Telecommunications Research Establishment in Worcestershire. Later he served as radar officer in the Pacific, on the aircraft carrier *Unicorn*. In 1946 he joined J. L. Pawsey's Radio Astronomy Group in Australia, working at the Commonwealth Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. He made his mark quickly: the year 1948 saw the first major discovery when, with colleagues Bruce Slee and Gordon Stanley, Bolton used the famous "sea interferometer" on the cliffs of Dover Heights above Sydney to pinpoint several sources of cosmic radio emission. J. S. Hey and colleagues had discovered such objects during the war; Bolton, Stanley and Slee found more, and showed that that they coincided in position with galaxies outside the Milky Way. These first "identifications" of extra-galactic radio sources opened new vistas in high-energy astrophysics and observational cosmology.

From 1955 to 1961, Bolton was Professor of Physics and Astronomy at the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) where he established the Owens Valley Radio Observatory with its then novel two-element interferometer.

At Caltech, Bolton had continued his programme of identifying extra-galactic radio sources, and in the course of this he noted some coincidences in positions with star-like objects. The nature of these was revealed in 1962-63 when the Parkes dish was used in lunar-occultation observations to determine a precise position for the radio source 3C273. "Quasi-Stellar Objects", quasars, had been discovered: highly luminous objects enabling astronomers to see to the limits of the observable universe. During the next 15 years Bolton and his team pursued systematic surveys of the radio sky at Parkes, cataloguing over 8,000 radio sources and among these identifying several hundred quasars, at one time more than the total tally of all other observatories.

John Bolton was a competitive man, fiercely so, but fair. He aimed to be best. When he grew roses in the dry and dusty hinterland of New South Wales, they were beautiful. His lawn was the greenest. He cooked the best steaks, complemented by fine wines from his impressive cellar. In his earlier years a keen sportsman, cricketer, swimmer and long-distance cyclist, he took up golf late in life as a most unlikely player, an arthritic swing limiting his long game. But a deadly short game and his fierce concentration made him very hard to beat. The intense and powerful personality did not endear him to everyone — there was little tolerance for mediocrity, poor judgment, or lack of commitment. But he was always a leader. Many honours accrued; he was a fellow of the Australian Academy of Science (1969), fellow of the Royal Society (1973), vice-president of the International Astronomical Union (1977), gold medalist of the Royal Astronomical Society (1977), foreign associate of the US National Academy of Sciences (1980), and appointed CBE (1981).

John Bolton leaves his wife Letty and sister Jo (Mrs Peter) Wheatley.

ANNE WALL

Anne Wall, OBE, charity patron, died on July 9 aged 79. She was born on April 14, 1914.



ANNE WALL was one of the unsung heroines in the charity world. She inherited her money from her husband, Albert Edward "Wally" Wall, a scion of the Walls ice-cream making family. When he died in 1953, he ensured that his wife was well provided for with a generous trust fund, but stipulated in his will that a certain amount of the money should be given each year to charities of his wife's own choosing.

Wall mostly preferred to keep her generosity a secret, though the sums she donated were substantial. She became, in fact, one of the most generous of charity patrons, and a regular on the fund-raising lunch and ball circuit.

From 1983 she was vice-president and financier of two of the year's fund-raising highlights: the "Fleur de Fleurs" summer lunch, held at the Dorchester, and the "White Dove Ball" held at the Savoy in November, with her old friend Margot, Countess of Buckinghamshire acting as president and general organiser of the two events.

The two women dreamed up some spectacular scenarios for the ball: in 1990 the Savoy ballroom was transformed into a winter forest, complete with fake snow and white trees. The guests — who included Prince Aly Khan — were fed flaming ice-creams.

Since 1990, the money raised from the ball went to the Royal Marsden Hospital's £25 million appeal fund. This was a cause which particularly appealed to Wall, and she donated more of her own money to build a playground for the children there. A visit to the hospital last year coincided with that of the hospital's president, the Princess of Wales, who was there to open the new cancer unit. This was not the first contact Wall had had with the royal family: she was proud of the Christmas card she received every year from Princess Michael of Kent, and in 1990 she was appointed OBE.

Anne Wall had originally trained as a ballet dancer, and kept her slim, erect and impeccably turned out figure well into old age. She enjoyed company but was not fond of talking about herself. She continued to live in the house she had originally shared with her husband in The Bishop's Avenue, Hampstead.

Anne Wall had no children. She bequeathed the major portion of her charity trust to Sense — a national association for those born deaf and blind.

RONALD PATERSON

Ronald Paterson, couturier, has died aged 75. He was born in East Lanark, Scotland, on December 30, 1917.



RONALD Paterson was one of the most handsome of couture fashion designers. His clothes were flattering and colourful, and often presented in unpredictable ways: once, when showing a collection to the Queen Mother and Princess Margaret, he painted a model's face green.

As a designer, he was known as a master of draping silk jersey, an art which he learnt at the hands of the legendary Madame Grès at her Parisian salon before the war. He later went on to invent the "high-low" line, very popular in the early Sixties, which incorporated a high front-waist line swinging to a low back.

Ronald Inglis Paterson's father wanted his son to be a doctor or a clergyman, but was foiled when Paterson, then a student at Edinburgh University, entered a *Daily Express* fashion competition in 1938. The judge was Elsa Schiaparelli who awarded him first and second prizes. Paterson recalled her as a "terrifying woman", but was forcibly taken under her wing and introduced to the couture salons of Paris, and to her surrealist friends, Salvador Dali and Jean Cocteau.

Afterwards Paterson became apprenticed to Alix Grès, with whom he remained until the second world war. Grès specialised in long Greek columns of white jersey, exquisitely draped and pleated and Paterson learnt a great deal from her working method: each dress was modelled directly on to the mannequin without a pattern and with the minimum of cutting.

After six-and-a-half years in the Army, Paterson returned to Paris to work as a fashion artist and freelance designer. In 1947 he opened his own couture house in London, starting with only a dozen workers, and watched the business rapidly take off. By 1951 he was employing a staff of 164.

The house models at his Mayfair salon were all taught to walk the rather strange Paterson way, then considered the height of chic: heads held high, eyes half open, chest caved in, stomach pushed out and taking the tiniest steps in skirts pinned tightly round their calves. "Sexy but not vulgar" was Paterson's ethos.

His frocks were soon in demand by royalty, by London society and by film stars such as Olivia de Havilland and Merle Oberon. King Husain of Jordan's English bride, Toni Gardiner — later known as Muna El Husain — wore a Paterson dress to her wedding in 1961. (The unassuming Miss Gardiner had approached Paterson as a bride-to-be without mentioning who she was to marry, and Paterson unluckily told her he was far too busy to manage the trousseau as well as the dress.)

Paterson possessed that down-to-earth Scottish trait of being arrogant with the aristocracy and warm and loyal to his old friends. He was not unduly fazed by all the fuss: "Money and success haven't made much difference to our way of life. The important pleasures are the same as they always were: my family, my work and music."

In the early 1960s Paterson was made vice-chairman of the Incorporated Society of London Fashion Designers (known as the "Inkspots") and in 1964 he won *The Sunday Times* fashion award for couture. He enjoyed lecturing on his subject in such unlikely venues as Holloway prison, but was also a regular on the platform at the Royal College of Art and the Edinburgh College of Art.

In 1966 Paterson was forced to move to new premises (his salon in Albemarle Street was subsiding). The new house proved to be too small to accomodate enough workers to cover overheads and the business closed in 1968.

Paterson then turned his attention to designing for films — including two in the James Bond series (Barbara Bach wore one of his elegant black dresses in *You Only Live Twice*) — before retiring to France where he worked on the refurbishment of a chain of hotels. After five years he returned to England with his Canadian-born wife and faithful business partner since the early days, "Steve", who died in 1982. Paterson retired to a house near Bath, close to where his daughter lived, and took up oil-painting.

He is survived by his daughter.

ARMAND VAQUERIN

Armand Vaquerin, former French international rugby player, died in Béziers on July 10 aged 42 from gunshot wounds resulting from playing Russian roulette. He was born in Sevérac-le-Château, Aveyron, on February 21, 1951.



THE virtually bald head and Pancho Villa-style moustache of Armand Vaquerin were famous in southwest France. As a loose-head, prop forward, he was a star of the all-conquering Béziers side that won ten French championship in the 1970s and early 1980s.

He was also capped 26 times for the national side, but missed France's grand slam success of 1977 when he was replaced by Gerard Cholley. He played in national sides that never won the five nations' tournament but he was a forward who earned the respect of all sides. He played with vigour with the sleeves of his jersey either cut or rolled up to the shoulder.

Vaquerin was the son of Spanish immigrants. They moved to rugby-mad Béziers and Vaquerin was ten when Béziers won its first national title in 1961. He first made his mark on the rugby field as an adolescent. In 1971, he was picked to play against Romania at the age of 20, the youngest ever front-row forward to be picked for the national team.

At Béziers, Vaquerin played in the front row along with Alain Paco and Jean-Louis Martin. They formed the fastest front row of the decade and were backed by notable locks in the persons of Alain Esteve and Michel Palmie. These forwards gave Béziers a steamroller reputation, terrifying most opponents and often playing near the limit of the rules. The only year the team failed to win a championship final in the 1970s was the 1976 loss to Agen.

L'Equipe, the French national sports daily, said of him that he was "powerful, dynamic and modern, ten years ahead of his time". He was a rather timid young man when he entered top-flight rugby, but success on the field changed his lifestyle. As a star with many new friends, he threw himself into the round of post-match celebrations and often neglected training. This was one reason for his uneven international career. A knee injury in 1975 cost him a place in the French team that successfully toured South Africa. It was this tour that established Cholley and Roger Paparemborde as France's more or less permanent front row forwards.

However, Vaquerin continued piling up national championships and was regularly photographed holding aloft the Brennus shield. His last international appearance was in the French side that defeated Ireland in 1980.

He found it difficult to adapt after retirement although he threw himself into other sports, notably hunting and deep-sea diving. He spent six years in Mexico but could not resist turning up unannounced in New Zealand to support France during the first World Cup of 1987. Later, he returned to Béziers where he opened a bar, Le Cardiff. Townspeople said he liked to live at "100 kilometres-an-hour".

Last year, he organised a party in a local arena to celebrate the 20th anniversary of his entry into international rugby. A huge crowd turned up for he was one of the town's most popular citizens. He was known to everyone as courageous and generous, but he was given to excesses such as the one that cost him his life. On Saturday, he wandered over to another bar and offered to play Russian roulette with the locals. When there were no takers, he took a Smith and Wesson from his car and removed five bullets. The sixth killed him.

He is survived by his wife and son.

James Parsons

JAMES Benton Parsons, who became the first black federal judge in the United Nations when President Kennedy appointed him in 1961, died on June 19 aged 81.

Parsons retired from trial work last year but had remained active, performing such duties as swearing in new citizens until illness made that impossible.

He started life as a teacher in the 1930s and 1940s, until earning his law degree in 1949. He taught constitutional law at John Marshall Law School and was an assistant Chicago corporation counsel until 1951.

From 1951 to 1960, he was an assistant US attorney, before serving for a year on the old Superior Court of Cook County. Parsons is survived by his son.

Elisa Rodriguez

ELISA Godinez Rodriguez, the ex-wife of former Cuban President Fulgencio Batista, died in Miami on June 19 in aged 88.

Rodriguez married Batista in 1933. Seven years later, Batista was elected president of Cuba and Rodriguez was first lady from 1940-44.

The couple had three children before divorcing in 1945. Batista was overthrown by Fidel Castro in 1959 after Batista assumed the presidency for a second time in a 1952 coup.

In January 1959, Rodriguez left Cuba for Miami with her three children and her second husband, Maximo Rodriguez, who had been a member of the Cuban Congress.

Maximo Rodriguez died in 1962. Rodriguez is survived by her son and two daughters.

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TRAINED POLAR BEARS AT THE "ZOO."

The Zoological Society distrusts the methods of those who exploit "trained" wild animals, and partly for this reason, partly because of the limited space at its disposal, is seldom willing to give hospitality to performing animals. It has, however, made a temporary exception in favour of five young Polar bears, the property of a young Swedish lady whose stage name is Mlle. Doris del Monte. The troupe came to London late on Friday from a provincial engagement, and as it seemed certain that otherwise the animals would have to spend some days of the present very hot weather in small travelling boxes, they were taken in at the Gardens, and early on Saturday morning were set free in one of the two large new bears' enclosures. The five bears, apparently cubs of last year, are healthy and docile creatures and have been well treated, but since their capture have had no opportunity of bathing. They rushed straight to the water and have since then spent most of their time in it, in the most exuberant spirits. They have as companion a large black and white Samoyede dog. It is not intended that the bears should be put through any of their "performances", but their activity and playfulness make them an unusually attractive exhibition.

FEEDING OF THE REPTILES.

Many years ago it was the custom of the Society to feed the reptiles in public every Friday evening. At that time it was usual to place live goats, rabbits, fowls, and so forth in the cages of the large snakes, and Charles Dickens and other writers have left vivid descriptions of the public interest in what must have been an unpleasant spectacle. For more than ten years, however, the house has been closed at feeding time. A notice has now been placed in the Reptile House that feeding will take place on Friday evenings at 6, and on last Friday this experimental arrangement began. Only freshly killed prey is given. The poisonous snakes, such as cobras and puff-adders, generally strike at the dead rats or mice as soon as these are thrown into the cage, but sometimes the bodies have to be dangled in front of them, offered and withdrawn several times. After striking they withdraw at once, and begin the process of swallowing some time after, seizing the prey indifferently by any portion of the body. The large constricting snakes such as pythons and boas seize the prey with a sudden rush and then throw a coil of the body over it.

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In very hot weather the Zoological Society took pity on Mlle del Monte's troupe of performing polar bears, who made straight for the water.

NEWS

Attali immunity bid attacked

■ Jacques Attali has abruptly left the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, leaving its directors wrangling over an immunity deal that would free him from any liability for the extravagances of his two years as president.

M Attali, who resigned last month, had expected to stay in office until a successor had been found. But he left just before *publication of a highly critical report* ..... **Pages 1, 21, 23**

MI5 makes official disclosure

■ MI5 came out of the shadows with an unprecedented appeal to the public for information about threats to Britain's security and a photocall by Stella Rimington, 58, its director-general ..... **Pages 1, 2**

Amused by protest

The Queen watched with amusement last week as 14 protesters *scaled the walls of Buckingham* Palace ..... **Page 1**

Maastricht warning

Senior Tories said the government will ratify the Maastricht treaty even if it is defeated in the social chapter vote ..... **Page 1**

Blackmailer jailed

A man who threatened in a blackmail letter to kill guests at the Ritz was jailed for ten years .... **Page 3**

Counsellor stabbed

A YMCA counsellor was stabbed to death as he tried to mediate in a dispute between a man and woman, police said ..... **Page 5**

Dressed to escape

An inmate at Wolds Remand Centre, Britain's first private jail, escaped by dressing up in his girl friend's clothes ..... **Page 7**

Lacking harmony

Plans to bring girl choristers into Britain's cathedrals are splitting the Church of England's music community between traditionalists and progressives ..... **Page 8**

Seeking support

Kenneth Clarke said in Christchurch that pensioners will not have to pay for prescriptions or overnight hospital stays ... **Page 9**

Bosnia disarray

The Bosnia relief operation was plunged into confusion after the United Nations refugee commissioner spoke for the first time of withdrawal ..... **Page 10**

Death plot claims

The acting Azerbaijani head of state, Heidar Aliev, claimed that there had been an assassination plot against him ..... **Page 11**

Sharing in Tokyo

Japan faces the prospect of a coalition government after its general *election* ..... **Page 13**

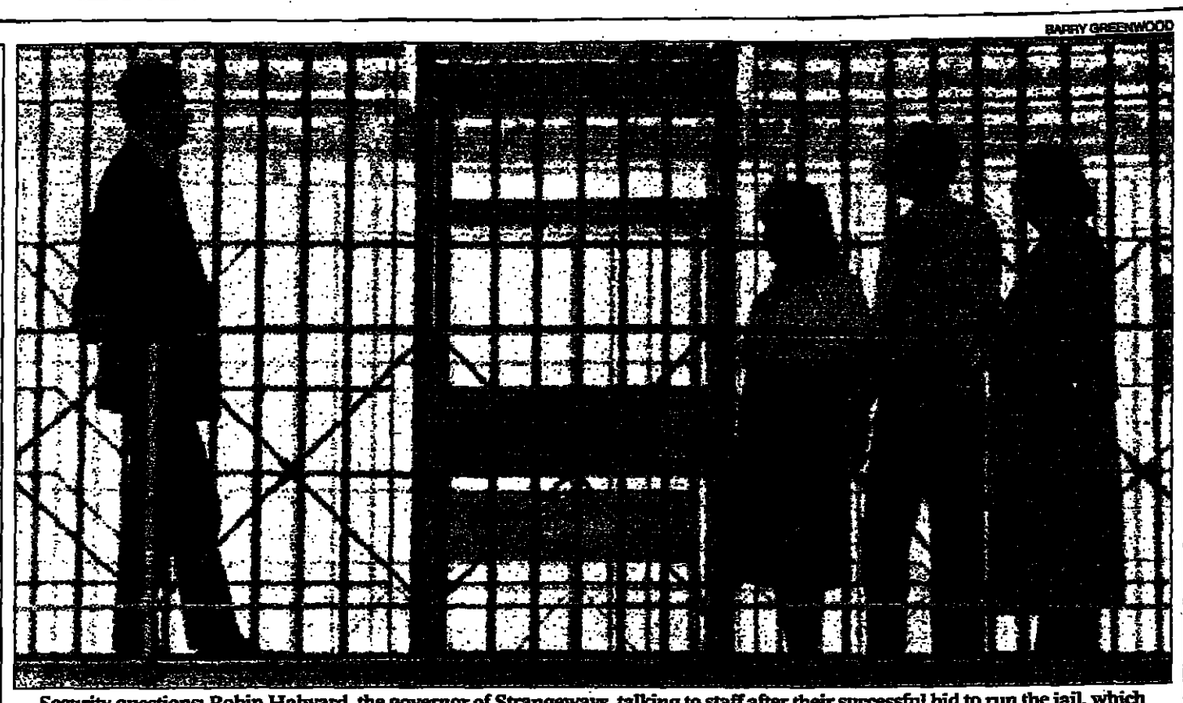
Flooding worsens

The Midwest flooding worsened as the Mississippi and Missouri rivers merged ..... **Page 14**

'Obnoxious' juror halts trial

■ Judge Leonard Gerber had a problem. Eleven good persons and true on jury duty at the Central Criminal Court had decided they could not stand the twelfth, and had written to the *judge to tell him so. "Mr Obnoxious" as he had been christened* by his fellow jurors, would have to go ..... **Page 3**

BARRY GREENWOOD



Security questions: Robin Halward, the governor of Strangeways, talking to staff after their successful bid to run the jail, which was the scene of serious rioting in 1990. The officers want inmates to leave their cells for 14 hours each day. Report, page 7

BUSINESS

ERM turmoil: The Danish National Bank was forced to increase key interest rates after concerted European central bank intervention failed to give the krone the support *it needed* ..... **Page 21**

Borrowing eases: A public sector borrowing requirement of £3.9 billion *last month was lower than* expected, putting the Treasury back on its target of £50 billion for *the year* ..... **Page 21**

BA attacked: Belgium, which has assumed the EC presidency, accused British Airways of affording the cost of undercutting European rivals by paying less on social security *for employees* ..... **Page 22**

Markets: Volatility in the European monetary system continued, with sterling in the crossfire. The pound fell 1.43 pfennigs to DM2.5539 and 1.25 cents to $1.4775. Shares ended *the account on a subdued note*, with the FT-SE 100 index up 1.3, at 2,833.0 ..... **Page 24**

SPORT

Golf: Britain's Nick Faldo set a course record at Royal St George's, Sandwich when he shot a 63 in the second round of the Open to take the early lead ..... **Pages 38-40**

Motor racing: An unexpected lull followed the latest Formula One storm when the sport's governing body, *Fisa, decided not to punish* Williams, Benetton, Ferrari and Sauber for the alleged use of irregular fuel ..... **Page 35**

Cycling: Graeme Obree, the Scottish amateur cyclist, said he re*mained determined to realise his* dream of breaking the world one-hour record after his first attempt *in Norway failed* ..... **Page 35**

Cricket: Alan Lee says only one thing will prevent the England selectors *naming an unchanged side* for the fourth Test match. The catch is that the game is to be played at *Headingley, where the conditions* breed more suspicion than any other Test ground ..... **Page 34**

ARTS

Cue generation X: Alice Thomson on the so-called lost generation of twentysomethings who are emerging from the shadows to make their mark in media, politics and the *arts* ..... **Page 1**

Farmer's diary: "As I sat staring into the frog's wide eyes, the rays of *the full moon were beaming down* on me." Paul Heiney tells a fairytale — but will it have a happy ending? ..... **Page 3**

Food and drink: Quentin Crewe celebrates French vegetables in his *new book, and Jane MacQuitty* rounds off her guide to building a wine cellar ..... **Page 4**

Festivals: *Britain's Italian communities* are getting ready for a summer of noisy processions, starting in Clerkenwell, London, tomorrow afternoon ..... **Page 7**

At your service: Ruth Gledhill visits *the polo-playing rector riding to* the church's rescue in rural Somerset ..... **Page 8**

Steps to stop the rot: English National Ballet has been floundering *for years, according to Derek* Deane, its new artistic director: "Everybody was swimming in dif*ferent directions but not really* knowing where they were going." Is Deane the right man to lift standards? ..... **Weekend, page 14**

Grease revived: At the Dominion Theatre, the musical *Grease* has *returned to the West End and to an* adoring audience which, reports Benedict Nightingale, "whooped and whistled and clapped, equally delighted by the boys' leather jackets and oily quiffs, the girls' cheerleader outfits, the pastiche 1950s songs, and the fulsome production numbers" ..... **Weekend, page 14**

Rare Dvorak: *Far from the* "New World Symphony", Dvorak's 1882 grand opera *Dimitrij* had never been *performed in London* before its outing at the South Bank this week ..... **Weekend, page 14**

COMMENT

A new comedy from Trix Worrell, creator of *Desmond's*, is set in a London youth club and features Robert McKewley as a mischievous black teenager. *What You Lookin' At?* (ITV, 5.30pm) . **Page 16**

LEADERS

After Attali

M Attali's fate is wholly secondary to the damage he has inflicted both on the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and on East-West co-operation ..... **Page 17**

Genes and the man

Moral questions are too complex to be settled purely by scientific discoveries ..... **Page 17**

Unisex in the choir

A church that is going to ordain women priests ought to be able to live with female choristers **Page 17**

SIMON JENKINS

No sensible person can refute John Birt's diagnosis or his prescription. The BBC has been unmanaged for years ..... **Page 16**

MATTHEW PARRIS

A world *in which nobody was gay* would be neither a worse nor a better world. Our concern is with *people who are alive, gay and cer*tain to remain so: but I would not expect activist friends to find this argument persuasive ..... **Page 16**

Sex education in schools and the perceived consequences continue to divide our correspondents **Page 17**

President Clinton would risk little and could gain a good deal, by removing America's Cuba policy from its cold war freezer

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How and exciting and wonderful it would be to have China earn the Olympics of 2004

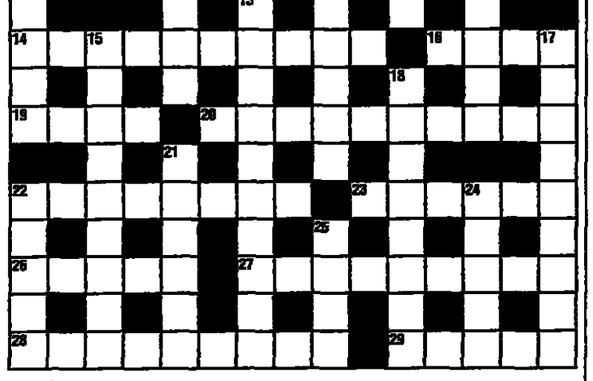
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1 Control unit is protected by fuse (5)
4 Bomb taken from 'ole bod dug out (9)
9 Artistic theme frivolous, we hear — witty saying introducing poem (9)
10 Social class left out of stronghold (5)
11 Parts of insects, see, needing skill for retraction (6)
12 Flower having a connection with flour? (4-4)
14 Solemn person cries without hesitation the day of emperor's death (10)
16 Animal has a run in retreat (4)
19 Pollutant gets oxygen repeatedly restricted in street (4)
20 Unsound chapter in a cleric's compilation (10)
22 One who mates in simultaneous matches (8)
23 A learner, female learner, getting qualifications (1-5)
26 Punishes student for admissions (5)
27 Monkey wanting fruit mostly — and a nut possibly (5-4)
28 Evergreen: a seed-vessel harmful in it? (9)
29 Fabric produced by agriculturalist before introduction of elastic (5)

DOWN

1 Sectarians establishing hideouts *in the principality* (9)
2 Improve morality of journalist if ending in debauchery (5)
3 An unusual little medicine has turned up — it's sweet and exotic (8)
4 Man needs this girlfriend maybe for support (4)
5 Drink shop's breach of the law — harbouring endless insects (3-7)
6 Area offering beer — look around first (6)
7 Dance leader, a star bursting on the scene (5,4)
8 *Aquatic bird showing up among* icebergs (5)
13 A not-far-from-grand piece of furniture (5-5)
15 Stopped suddenly and reared (7,2)
17 Fish in the country without an employer to worry about? (9)
18 Report of boy getting underweight — *this* is essential for growth (8)
21 Victoria wasn't employed after upsetting master (6)
22 *Uranium found in marshes is not* genuine (5)
24 Lively girl swallowing a drink (5)
25 Ruler nearly shut up (4)

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LONDON

Yesterday: Temp. max 6am to 6pm, 22C (72F); min 6pm to 6am, 16C (61F). Humidity: 9pm, 67 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.05in Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 2hr. Bar, mean sea level, 9pm, 1,010.8 millibars, steady. *1,000 millibars=29.53in*

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Thursday: Highest day temp, Birmingham and Guernsey, 22C (72F); lowest day max: Inverbervie, Grampian, 12C (54F); highest rainfall, Cultrose, Cornwall, and Dunkeswell Aerodrome, Devon, *1.42in; highest sunshine*, Aviemore, Highland, 7.4hr.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 22C (72F); min 6pm to 6am, 16C (61F). Rain, 24hr to 6pm, 0.31in Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 6.7hr.

GLASGOW

Yesterday: Temp, max 6am to 6pm, *21C* (70F); min 6pm to 6am, 14C (57F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.41in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 1.7hr.

The winners of last Saturday's competition are: M D Graham, Bullen Court, New North Road, Hainault, Essex; A Delbridge, Allerton Road, Bristol; W McVinch, Bangor Road, Groomsport, Co Down; R P Mawhinney, Thornhill Parade, Belfast; D Jayne, Russell Court, Stanley Avenue, Alperton, Middlesex.

WEATHER

Much of England and Wales will start the day dry with sunny spells. Scattered showers will develop during the morning, but most will be in the North and West, leaving many places in the South and East dry. Rain in northern Scotland will become confined to the Northern Isles during the morning. Scotland and Northern Ireland will have showers and sunny spells, with rain in some parts by evening. Outlook: unsettled with rain or showers.

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	26	79	s	Madrid	33	91	s
Alicante	27	81	s	Majorca	34	93	s
Algs'deria	26	79	f	Malaga	26	79	s
Algiers	32	90	s	Malta	28	82	f
Amst'dam	19	66	c	Melb'rne	13	55	f
Athens	29	84	s	Miami*	32	90	f
Bahrain	36	97	s	Milan	25	77	f
Bangkok	32	90	f	Moscow	20	68	c
Barcelona	28	82	s	Munich	21	70	r
Beirut	28	82	f	Nairobi	21	70	c
Belgrade	28	82	s	Naples	27	81	s
Berlin	21	70	r	N Delhi	31	88	f
Biarritz	22	72	f	Nice	23	73	f
Borde'x	27	81	s	Oslo	23	73	s
Brussels	23	73	f	Paris	27	81	f
Budapst	25	77	f	Peking	30	86	s
Cairo	31	88	s	Perth	14	57	s
Cape Tn	14	57	d	Prague	19	66	s
Ch'church	9	48	s	Reykjavik	12	54	s
Cologne	22	72	s	Rhodes	28	79	s
C'hagn	18	65	s	Rio de J	17	63	f
Corfu	28	82	s	Riyadh	42	108	s
Dublin	21	70	r	Rome	24	75	s
Dubrovnik	26	79	s	Salzburg	21	70	s
Faro	28	82	s	Seoul	26	79	r
Florence	28	82	f	St'kholm	22	72	f
Frankfurt	25	77	f	Stresb'rg	27	81	f
Funchal	23	73	s	Sydney	16	61	s
Geneva	28	82	f	Tangier	28	82	s
Gibraltar	26	79	s	Tenerife	27	81	s
Helsinki	18	64	c	Tokyo	26	79	c
Hong K	32	90	s	Tunis	32	90	s
Istanbul	26	79	s	Valencia	29	84	s
Jeddah	32	90	s	Venice	25	77	f
Karachi	34	93	c	Vienna	27	81	f
L Palmas	24	75	s	Warsaw	13	55	r
Le Touqt	19	66	f	Wash'ton*	32	90	f
Luxembg	24	75	s	Zurich	24	75	s
Luxor	37	99	s				

* denotes figures are latest available

LIGHTING-UP TIMES

London 9.39 pm to 4.33 am
Bristol 9.49 pm to 4.43 am
Edinburgh 10.16 pm to 4.21 am
Manchester 9.58 pm to 4.31 am
Penzance 9.55 pm to 5.01 am

TODAY

Sun rises: 5.03 am — Sun sets: 9.09 pm
Moon rises: 2.51 am — Moon sets: 4.29 pm

New moon July 19

London 9.48 pm to 4.35 am
Bristol 9.48 pm to 4.45 am
Edinburgh 10.15 pm to 4.22 am
Manchester 9.57 pm to 4.33 am
Penzance 9.54 pm to 5.03 am

TOMORROW

Sun rises: 5.05 am — Sun sets: 9.08 pm
Moon rises: 3.57 am — Moon sets: 8.11 pm

New moon tomorrow

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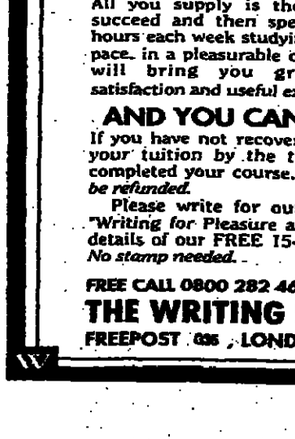
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Aberdeen	0.1	0.06	15	59	rain
Anglesey	0.2	0.39	17	63	fog
Aviemore	7.4	0.04	20	68	sunny
Belfast	-	0.19	19	66	rain
Birmingham	2.9	0.05	22	72	rain
Bognor Regis	1.0	0.56	17	63	rain
Bournemouth	0.8	0.46	18	64	shower
Bristol	0.1	0.51	22	72	rain
Cardiff	0.8	0.61	19	66	rain
Colwyn Bay	2.3	0.33	21	70	shower
Eastbourne	-	0.31	17	63	rain
Edinburgh	1.2	0.12	21	70	rain
Exmouth	1.6	0.50	18	64	shower
Folkestone	-	0.38	19	66	rain
Guernsey	-	0.02	22	72	cloudy
Hastings	0.1	0.22	17	63	rain
Hunstanton	-	0.25	19	66	shower
Isle of Man	0.1	0.30	15	59	fog
Jersey	2.6	0.13	21	70	cloudy
Leeds	-	0.39	17	63	rain
Littlehampton	0.8	0.50	17	63	rain
Liverpool	2.3	0.28	19	66	rain
London	1.5	0.15	21	70	rain
Lowestoft	1.1	0.10	17	63	rain
Manchester	2.6	0.69	20	68	rain
Margate	1.9	0.44	21	70	rain
Newcastle	-	0.24	15	59	rain
Newquay	1.9	0.96	18	64	thundr
Nottingham	0.4	0.48	20	68	thundr
Penzance	1.0	1.07	17	63	thundr
Plymouth	2.0	1.06	16	61	thundr
Poole	0.9	0.56	19	66	rain
Skegdenn	0.3	0.23	18	64	dull
Swanton Bnd	-	1.21	17	63	thundr
Scarborough	-	0.21	15	59	shower
Southend	1.7	0.20	22	72	rain
Stornoway	4.6	-	18	64	bright
Tenby	1.8	0.48	17	63	drizzle
Torquay	-	0.56	20	68	cloudy
Weymouth	2.2	0.64	16	61	rain
Worthing	0.1	0.50	17	63	rain

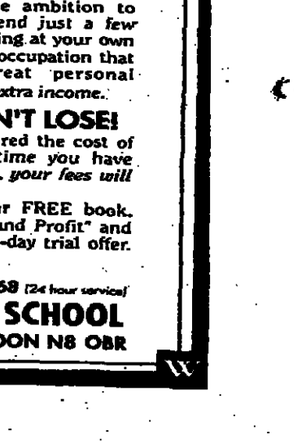
These are Thursday's figures

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.28	2.08
Austria Sch	18.00	17.50
Belgium Fr	55.90	51.50
Canada $	2.02	1.86
Denmark Kr	10.85	9.75
Finland Mkk	9.22	8.42
France Fr	9.20	8.50
Germany Dm	2.895	2.495
Greece Dr	363.00	338.00
Hong Kong $	12.14	11.14
Ireland Pt	1.11	1.03
Italy Lira	2445.00	2300.00
Japan Yen	178.50	159.50
Netherlands Gld	3.04	2.81
Norway Kr	11.50	10.70
Portugal Esc	259.20	241.20
South Africa Rd	5.80	5.00
Spain Pta	207.00	194.00
Sweden Kr	12.43	11.83
Switzerland Fr	2.38	2.20
Turkey Lira	17100.0	16100.0
USA $	1.58	1.45

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading yesterday.





SATURDAY
Scotland moderate; N Ireland moderate; Wales moderate; South West moderate; North moderate; East Anglia moderate; Midlands moderate; South East moderate; London low to moderate.

SUNDAY
Scotland moderate; N Ireland low; Wales low; South West low to moderate; North low to moderate; East Anglia moderate; Midlands low to moderate; South East low to moderate; London low.

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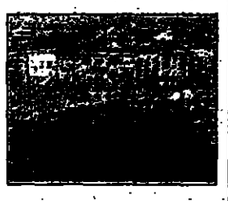


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PASSBOOK WOE



National Westminster bank has told Rajinder Hunjan her passbook does not prove she has money in her account
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THE POUND

US $ ..... 1.4775 (-0.0120)
German mark ..... 2.5539 (-0.0143)
Exchange index ..... 80.8 (-0.5)
Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET

FT-SE 100 ..... 2833.0 (+1.3)
Dow Jones ..... 3536.96 (-13.97)*
Nikkei Avg ..... 20331.53 (+173.51)

INTEREST RATES

London Bank Base 6%
3-month Interbank 6-5⅞%
US Federal Funds 2¾%*
3-month Treas Bills 3.01-3.00%*
Long Bond 6.55%*

CURRENCIES

New York:	London:
£:$ ..1.4787*	£:$ ..1.4760
$:DM ..1.7245*	£:DM ..2.5476
$:Swfr..1.5155*	£:Swfr..2.2364
$:Fr ..5.8940*	£:Fr ..8.7160
$:Yen .108.16*	£:Yen ..160.08
£:SDR ..1.0766	£:ECU ..1.3135

London Forex market close

GOLD

London Fixing ($):
AM 393.85 ..... PM 392.00
Close 393.20-393.60
New York
Comex 394.05-394.55*

RETAIL PRICES

RPI ..... 141.0 June (1.2%)

* Denotes midday trading price



SIMON WALKER

Damning verdict: Claes de Neergaard, chairman of the bank's audit committee, presenting the report yesterday. More executives may have to go

Hunt for Attali successor is key to EBRD's future

By Colin Narbrough and Philip Webster

■ **The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development needs to begin a reconstruction of itself, starting with a strong replacement for Jacques Attali**

THE search for a new president for the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) has intensified now that Jacques Attali has effectively quit the presidency after being severely criticised in the audit committee's report.

The fallout from the report could still claim more victims among the bank's senior executives. Although the committee gave some praise to Pierre Pissaloux, M Attali's French director of cabinet, for the speed with which he completed the fitting-out of the bank's headquarters, both he and Anders Ljungh, the vice-president for finance, could come under pressure to step down.

The report said the authorisation of expenditure incurred by M Attali and "some members of his office" were a cause of particular concern. Personnel changes are expected, in any event, on the arrival of a new president. François Olive, the Frenchman responsible for looking after M Attali's spending, left the bank last month.

Arne Wibble, the EBRD's Swedish governor, is pressing to have a new president in place by early September, to ensure that the bank restores its damaged image as soon as possible and refocuses on its funding operations in eastern and central Europe.

Only two heavyweight contenders have come forward so far in the race for the presidency, perhaps a reflection of the poor public image the embattled M Attali has given it in the past six months.

Jacques de Larosière, governor of the Banque de France and former managing director of the International Monetary Fund, is current favourite to win, especially as he has the backing of the governments of France, Germany and America. But he faces a powerful challenger in Henning Christophersen, Denmark's European economics commissioner.

A possible dark horse candidate, much in favour among EBRD officials, is Miklós Németh, the former Hungarian prime minister. Although his government has refused to comment on his possible candidacy, it is possible that Budapest will put his name forward once it has studied the audit committee report to make sure he is untainted.

The EBRD has squashed any prospect of a UK candidate replacing M Attali. Lord Lawson, the former Chancellor and John Major's first choice, will not now be put forward for the post, Downing Street disclosed. Soundings among the bank's membership revealed "no consensus" for a UK candidate, officials said. About 59 countries contribute to the bank.

Downing Street said Mr Major and Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, believed Lord Lawson would have been an "excellent" choice for the post and they would have been in a position to support him. But soundings made clear that there was no chance of reaching a consensus on a UK candidate, no matter whom.

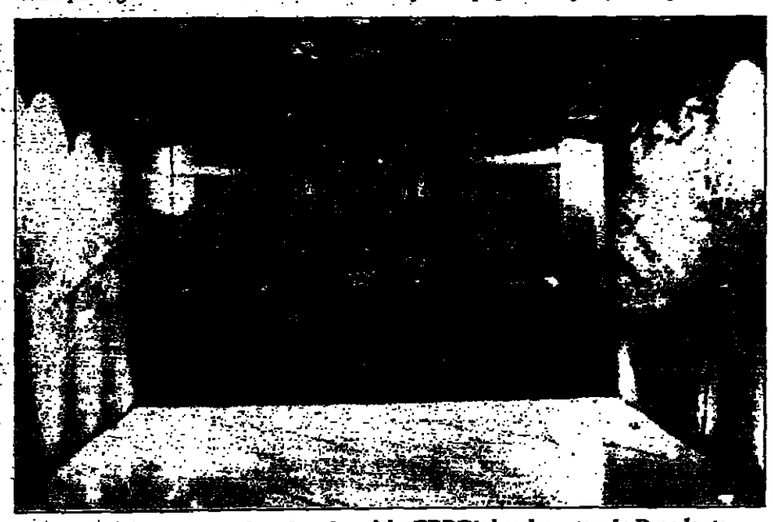
Whitehall was quick to play down talk of a snub to the prime minister or to Lord Lawson. Well placed sources suggested that since the bank was based in Britain, there was widespread feeling that its leader should be drawn from another country.

Mrs Wibble has made clear that she wants the bank to become more active in its target economies in the former Soviet bloc, after putting its house in good order in London. It is believed that she, too, would favour a candidate from eastern or central Europe, especially one as qualified for the task as Mr Németh, a former economics lecturer.

The deadline for names to be submitted to the EBRD is next Thursday, after which the bank's 56 governors have three weeks to select a winner. The bank's rules require a double majority for the winning candidate. There must be a majority among the bank's member governments and also among shareholders. The EC commands a majority of the shares, but not of the national votes.

☐ The Treasury emphasised last night that "nothing has been decided" about the location of the proposed European central bank, despite German reports that Frankfurt has already informally been chosen. A Treasury spokesman said: "London's hat is still in the ring." The bank's location is expected to be decided by EC heads of government this year.

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Glass house: the luxurious interior of the EBRD's headquarters in Broadgate

Danes raise main rates to defend krone

By Patricia Tehan

THE Danish National Bank was forced to increase its key discount and deposit rates from 7.25 per cent to 9.25 per cent yesterday after a day of concerted intervention by European central banks failed to give the embattled krone the support it needed.

The krone is expected to come under further pressure next week.

The deposit rate, on which long market rates are based, is the rate the central bank pays on commercial banks' current account deposits with it. The little-used discount rate usually follows the deposit rate.

Speculation against the krone increased after the Bundesbank failed to cut interest rates on Thursday. All the European central banks that are part of the exchange-rate mechanism acted to support the krone.

Earlier in the day, speculation prompted Erik Hoffmeyer, the Danish central bank governor, to say the krone would be defended by all means, including interest rate rises and further intervention if necessary.

He was forced to live up to his promise after the central banks' obligation to support ERM currencies ended at 4pm London time.

Theo Waigel, the German finance minister, tried to ease ERM tensions by saying he saw more room for official German rate cuts if conditions allowed.

He said Germany and France would continue to work together against currency speculators who have been pushing the franc lower. The krone is now the weakest member of the ERM, followed by the franc.

Despite a day of co-ordinated support for the krone, it firmed only marginally against the mark at 3.8925, strengthening from its close on Thursday of 3.8986. This is dangerously close to its ERM floor of 3.9016.The franc closed at 3.4180 against the mark, uncomfortably close to its floor of 3.4305.

David Coleman, of the Canadian International Bank of Commerce in London, said the krone was sure to come under pressure again on Monday.

Speculation increased that the EC monetary committee, which meets on Monday, would have the question of ERM realignment on the agenda.

Lower PSBR in June

THE government's run of good economic news continued with the announcement of a lower than expected public sector borrowing requirement of £3.9 billion last month (Patricia Tehan writes). Economists had been expecting a PSBR of between £4 billion and £6.5 billion.

The June figure brings the total PSBR for the first three months of the current fiscal year to £13.2 billion, compared with £10.7 billion in the same period last year.

Ian Shepherdson, UK economist with Midland Global Markets, said the rise in income tax and value added tax receipts was particularly encouraging. But he said departmental spending was high. Net cash outlays rose by 8.5 per cent, to £59.7 billion, in the three months compared with the same period last year; they were up by 8 per cent, to £19.6 billion, in June compared with June 1992.

The slowing in the government's borrowing requirement from the May figure, which has been revised from £5 billion to £4.7 billion, puts the Treasury back on course to meet its target of £50 billion for the year.

USAir all shook up by Elvis imitator

From Philip Robinson in New York

HERBERT Kelleher, a lanky Texan airline executive, has impersonated Elvis Presley, dressed his stewardesses in hot pants and painted his planes to look like killer whales in an attempt to establish one of America's most successful airlines in less than 25 years. And now he might make a dent in BA's balance sheet.

Southwest Airlines is the seventh-largest US carrier, noted for its cheap fares and no-frills service. Within two months it will launch an offensive on America's East Coast, attacking USAir, the American carrier in which British Airways owns almost 25 per cent.

USAir was forced into a savage air fare war yesterday when the smaller, more nimble Southwest announced it was striking at the very heart of its empire with services from Baltimore-Washington International airport, one of USAir's five main hubs. The challenge from Texas-based Southwest is the first in what could become a significant battle. Southwest will begin by offering a $49 one-way fare from Baltimore to Cleveland, where the comparable non-stop fare one-way price is now $349, and a Baltimore-Chicago one-way price of $89, 73 per cent cheaper than the $335 charged by other airlines.

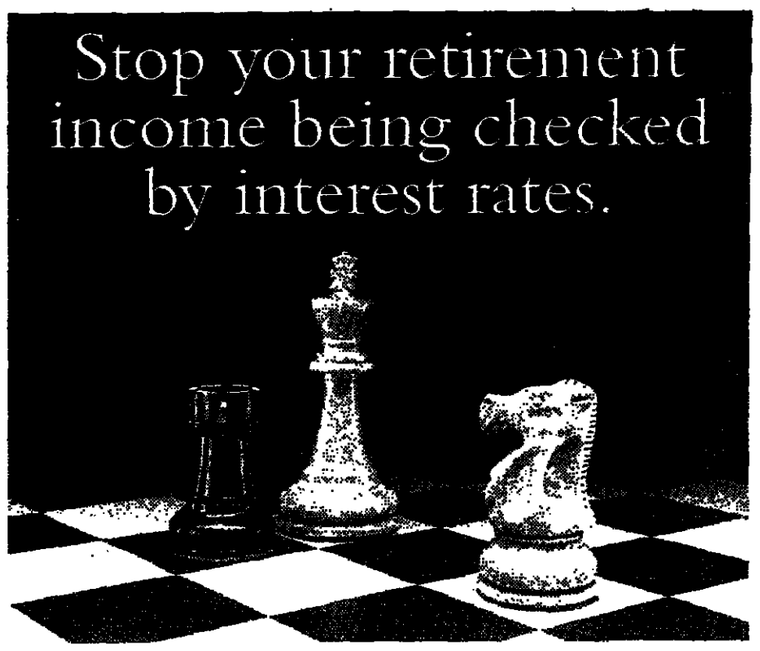
USAir has already decided to cut Baltimore-Cleveland prices to $49, an 86 per cent discount on regular airlines, and to increase the frequency of flights, both moves starting a week before Southwest begins its new services. The airline has not decided whether to match Southwest's price to Chicago.

Southwest is the only major airline still making a profit in the US. It has doubled sales in the past six years and last year won the industry's Triple Crown for best time-keeping, best baggage handling and fewest customer complaints of all the US carriers. It carried more passengers last year than any other airline in the 100 busiest US markets.

The airline was started by Mr Kelleher, a lawyer, and Rollin King, a Texas businessman, as a Texas city-hopper in 1967. In the eighties it expanded into California and the Midwest and in the past three years has strengthened its challenge to the major carriers in Los Angeles and begun to push East.

Known for its unorthodox marketing, it adopted the name of its home base, Love Field, as an early theme, dressing stewardesses in hot pants serving love potions (drinks) and love bites (peanuts). When Southwest became the official airline of Texas's Sea World, Mr Kelleher painted one of his 152 Boeing 737s to resemble a killer whale. And on one occasion he boarded the plane in an Elvis costume to entertain passengers.

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Belgium seeks EC debate on BA's low wage costs

FROM TOM WALKER IN BRUSSELS

THE EC's new Belgian presidency has accused British Airways of ruling Europe's skies through "social dumping" and wants the cheap labour costs of BA staff discussed by EC transport ministers.

The dramatic push by Guy Coeme, Belgian transport minister, for a true "level playing field" in air transport will send a chill down the government's spine. It brings the British opt-out from the social chapter of the Maastricht treaty firmly back on to the EC agenda for the next six months, with the Belgian presidency, which began on July 1, towing a firmly federalist line.

M Coeme has added his voice to a growing chorus of dissent at BA's fast-expanding share of the air market. Bernard Attali, Air France president, has long complained about BA taking advantage of social dumping, and Alitalia and Lufthansa executives have made similar protests. In an interview shortly to be published, Pierre Godroid, chairman of struggling Belgian carrier Sabena, will reveal that he believes Sabena would have made a profit of £40 million last year, compared with the actual £120,000, under the conditions enjoyed by BA. M Coeme said "it is time to end the suicidal price war and practices at the limit of fair play that are destabilising the airline industry" in Europe.

All the signs are in Brussels that the British government could be in for a rough ride over the next six months on any issues where "social dumping" is apparently giving British industry a competitive advantage. Herman de Croo, a former Belgian transport minister who is chairing a group of "wise men" to advise the commission on air policy, warned yesterday that complete liberalisation of the air sector could result in airlines desperately trying to cut labour costs. "You'll end up with flags of convenience carriers, but in the air," he said.

Airline industry sources have been surprised by the composition of the "wise men" committee, which has strong representation from the French, German and Spanish air sectors but whose British panelist is Geoff Lipman, president of the World Travel and Trade Council. One industry source said: "It really would have been better to have someone like Sir Michael Bishop [chairman of British Midland] who really knows the needs of the British air sector."

The French have always taken a dim view of BA's advances. "We just want the same conditions throughout Europe," said a source close to Air France. "Britain signing up to the social chapter? Yes, this could be a solution." He said that social security costs add 37 per cent to the salary costs of Air France employees; in Britain, he said, they added just 17 per cent. "As British Airways is so often taken as the ideal model for the industry, we just want to point out that the rules are not quite the same for everyone."

A BA spokeswoman said M Coeme had forgotten that BA was at a disadvantage in other ways. She said many smaller European carriers enjoyed some form of government protection.

Resort Hotels deals are suspended after chief resigns

BY CARL MORTISHED

■ Resort Hotel's advisers insist it is business as usual but investors who backed the company's frequent cash calls claim they have been left in the dark

SHAREHOLDERS in Resort Hotels were left in confusion yesterday as dealings in the shares were suspended at 45p after the resignation of Robert Feld, the chief executive.

Analysts feared the recent acquisition of County Resort Hotels and Country Resort Hotels, both BES companies, had overstretched the finances of the company. A statement from Resort's board gave warning of "concern over a number of financing and reporting issues" and said independent accountants have been asked to report. Roland Lewis, finance director, is taking over immediately from Mr Feld, who stays on the board.

Resort's borrowings were set to rise to £50 million from on-balance sheet debt of £23 million reported in the April 1992 accounts as a result of the pre-agreed take-out of BES shareholders in Country and County which together owned 11 hotels, totalling 500 bedrooms, managed by Resort.

The take-out of Country was completed last year in a share-for-share offer and County was taken over in May for £3.5 million with the issue of 8.5 million Resort shares. Last year, Resort's board estimated the net tangible assets of the two BES companies to be £22 million but, in addition, Resort will be consolidating £33 million of debt.

Neither Resort nor Barclays de Zoete Wedd, its adviser, would clarify the financing and reporting problems, but a spokesman said the company "had acted as soon as the situation was discovered" and Resort continued to trade normally.

Welsh Water, which yesterday said it had agreed to lease four of its hotels to Resort, said the transaction was not affected by Resort's announcement. The hotels group, which has a portfolio of 50 properties totalling 2,500 rooms, started life as a BES company, and has been financed with share issues since its flotation in 1988 by Capel Cure Myers.

The company made its fourth cash call in May last year, raising £20 million in a one-for-two rights issue backed by BZW. Resort's frequent calls on shareholders have increased its issued share capital from £4.8 million in 1988 to £33.5 million last year, a rise of 600 per cent.

Profits grew from £524,000 at its stock market launch to £6.1 million in the year to April 30 and Resort's brokers were forecasting profits of £7.2 million this year. Results for the six months to October 31 showed an 11 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £3.25 million but concerns over the strength of Resort's balance sheet have kept the share price depressed.

The beleaguered hotel sector received a shock in March when shares in Queens Moat were suspended due to a financial crisis over the company's £1 billion of debt and inadequate financial controls. Mass resignations from theQueens Moat's board followed, including John Bairstow, the company's founder, who stepped down as Andrew Coppel was appointed chief executive to sort out the group's financial problems.



Homes deal: Peter Costain, of Costain Group

Apple suffers a $750m bite

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

WALL Street cut the earnings estimates and savaged the shares of Apple Computer yesterday after it disclosed its largest quarterly loss. More than $750 million was wiped from the company's market value as six brokers cut profit estimates for this year 38 per cent and next year 63 per cent. Its shares fell $6.50 to a low of $29.25 in early New York trading yesterday.

Apple has announced 2,500 jobs will be lost — 16 per cent of the worldwide workforce — and took a $320.9 million charge for the cost, pushing third-quarter results into the red by $188.3 million, its largest on record and the first red ink since 1991. In the third quarter last year it made $131.6 million. Nine months' profits are down 80 per cent to $83.9 million.

Some analysts believe more job cuts are to come. Their fears were sparked by stunted profits growth before tax, interest and special charges. Operating profits were almost 90 per cent lower than expected, despite a 7 per cent rise in turnover to $1.86 million. Profit forecasts for the year to this September have been cut from $400 million to $250 million. Three weeks ago John Sculley stood aside after ten years as chief executive, but is expected to stay on as chairman.

More than $3.2 billion has been cut from its market value in the past 12 months as the shares plunged 55 per cent. At its peak in 1991, Apple was valued at $8.45 billion.

Debt-laden Costain sells house-builder

BY MARTIN FLANAGAN

COSTAIN Group, the debt-laden construction company, is quitting private house-building after nearly a century. The group is selling Costain Homes to the private Welsh building company, Redrow Group, the UK's biggest unquoted house-builder, for £23 million. Of this, £15 million will be paid immediately, with the outstanding £8 million paid in instalments between now and 1998.

However, the deal is not a major one, City analysts say, given that Costain's borrowings are understood still to be about £185 million. Scott Fulton, of Yamaichi, said: "Although it is a help, it is not going to alleviate what is a very competitive environment for the company."

Costain said that the group was seeking further disposals to raise about £50 million over an unspecified period. These include minerals businesses in the US and properties in Australia and the UK.

The assets and liabilities being bought by Redrow include a landbank of 1,800 plots with planning permission, work-in-progress and trade debtors and creditors.

In its last full trading year, Costain Homes was £48.5 million in the red after land writedowns and provisions of £40.8 million. It is understood that Redrow will keep 50 of the 90 Costain Homes staff.

Costain Group, whose chief executive is Peter Costain, said that the sale of a fringe business guaranteed it cash at a time when debt reduction remained a priority. Costain repeated that it wanted to concentrate on engineering and construction, and US coal mining.

Industrial output in US falls 0.2%

FROM AP IN WASHINGTON

OUTPUT at American factories, mines and utilities fell 0.2 per cent in June, the first drop since September.

The decrease in the Federal Reserve's industrial production index was caused partly by the second straight cut in car and light truck manufacturing and a drop in the output of consumer appliances and room air conditioners.

The drop was expected. However, the government revised away a reported 0.2 per cent production gain in May. Production is now reported as unchanged in that month.

Factories started this year on a strong note, after consumers went on a spending spree before Christmas. But as consumers pulled back, manufacturers found stocks starting to pile up and they slowed their pace of expansion.

During the second quarter, industrial production advanced at a 1.9 per cent annual rate, compared with a 5.5 per cent rate in the first quarter.

In the face of near-stagnant production, the operating rate for industrial businesses has edged down. It was 81.2 per cent of capacity in June, down from 81.5 per cent in May and 81.7 per cent in April.

Although an indication of sluggishness, that is a good sign for inflation.

Manufacturing production in June fell 0.3 per cent on top of a 0.1 per cent decline in May. Production of durable goods — expensive items expected to last three or more years — fell 0.4 per cent last month. Mining output, which includes oil and gas drilling, dropped 0.7 per cent. Output at utilities, however, rose 1.3 per cent.

The changes left the Fed's index of industrial production at 110.1 per cent of its 1987 base, up 3.8 per cent from a year ago.

The Commerce Department reported that the US trade deficit shrank to $8.37 billion in May from a revised $10.18 billion in April after a sharp improvement in the trade balance with Japan.

Yorkshire links with Del Monte

BY OUR CITY EDITOR

YORKSHIRE Food Group is to buy 80 per cent of the Del Monte dried fruit business in California for £17.8 million.

The stake will be taken via a joint-venture company, Yorkshire Dried Fruit, of which Del Monte Corporation will hold 20 per cent. Yorkshire is funding the investment by raising £11.4 million in a placing and open offer of four shares for each 13 held, at 114p.

Mike Firth, Yorkshire chairman, said a joint venture had been chosen because Yorkshire wanted the rights to the Del Monte brand name.

Del Monte Corporation is locked into the 20 per cent stake for three years, after which Yorkshire can buy it out. Yorkshire keeps the right to the brand name for ever. Yorkshire's Del Monte branded products will be distributed through Del Monte Corporation's American network.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

British Coal fails to win extra sales to generators

BRITISH Coal has been unable to win new contracts because of the "high levels" of stocks held at power stations and improved performance of nuclear energy, Andrew Horsler, the corporation's marketing chief, said yesterday. Talks with the main power generators in England and Wales have not led to extra sales despite a "very competitive" offer, Mr Horsler told a conference in Wakefield, West Yorkshire. "We are determined to leave no stone unturned in the search for more business. We wish to ensure that we are carrying forward the largest viable coal industry as we approach life in the private sector. For that we need markets and contracts and we shall continue to press for additional sales in all sectors," he said.

The high coal stocks at present were a key factor in the generators' decision to buy just 40 million tonnes of coal from British Coal this year. This figure will fall to 30 million tonnes in each of the next four years. British Coal will publish its annual report next week in the wake of the rundown of the industry and accelerated pit closure programme.

BAe-Taiwan deal near

TAIWAN hopes to reach final agreement on its planned $370 million joint venture with British Aerospace, to build RJ146 regional jets, by the end of this month, said Yang Shih-chien, an economics minister. BAe and Taiwan Aerospace, 29 per cent state-owned, signed an outline agreement on the joint venture in January but the detailed negotiations have been held up by efforts to get a financial package to support lease financing of the jets.

Victoria Carpet slips

THE tough conditions gripping the carpet industry were in evidence yesterday as Victoria Carpet Holdings was forced to cut its annual dividend to 3p (4.5p) a share after suffering a 65.5 per cent slump in full-year profits. Pre-tax profits at the Kidderminster company tumbled to £598,000 in the year to end-March, down from £1.74 million, on a marginally lower turnover of £33.5 million against £33.8 million. Earnings per share slid to 5.28p (18.08p). Victoria Carpet shares fell 14p to 100p.

VW sales fall 12%

VOLKSWAGEN said sales fell 12 per cent in the first six months of the year from a year ago to just under DM39 billion. Werner Schmidt, finance director, said: "Even if the market does not pick up and revenue stays on the current level, the VW group will achieve a profit in 1994." This would be possible because of measures to improve revenue and cut costs already announced. VW's worldwide car deliveries fell 12.1 per cent in the first six months of the year to 1.63 million. Production fell by just under 18 per cent to 1.56 million.

Life Sciences buys in US

LIFE Sciences International, the scientific instruments group, is expanding its American operations with the purchase of ALKO Diagnostic Corporation, a privately owned Massachusetts company, for $6.5 million. ALKO, which manufactures consumables for use in analytical instruments in hospitals and laboratories, had trading profits of about $1 million in the year to end-December 1992, on sales of $2.4 million. The company said the business will join its Shandon division in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Alexanders in the black

ALEXANDERS Holdings, Scotland's largest Ford main dealer, has returned to profit at the halfway stage. The group made taxable profits of £31,840 in the six months to end-March against a pre-tax loss in the comparative period of £998,000. Alexanders said the improved result was in spite of depressed trading in the vehicle sector in the first quarter. Since January, however, the company says the market has slowly strengthened. Earnings per share of 0.06p replaced losses per share last time of 2.15p. There is again no dividend.

Multitone at £1.6m

RECESSION in major markets was a factor in taxable profits of Multitone Electronics in the year to end-April falling to £1.6 million from £1.9 million on sales up to £24.6 million (£23.2 million). Operating profit remained £4.02 million, but Multitone said that product expenditure had risen £310,000 to £2.3 million because of expansion opportunities, considered especially likely with demands for components from fire brigades and operators of public paging systems. A 2p final dividend makes 3.05p (3p), after earnings of 7.17p (8.33p).

Mitie expansion

MITIE Group, the maintenance company, is expanding its Scottish cleaning work by buying Olscot, a cleaning company operating from Edinburgh and Glasgow, for £2.9 million. Mitie is paying £2 million cash, issuing 110,000 new shares and paying a special £900,000 dividend in consideration for Olscot. Olscot made pre-tax profits of £430,497 in its last trading year, to end-September, when it had net assets of £1.8 million. The deal depends on establishment that Olscot profit for the year to end-September 1993 should reach £350,000.

Thorn and GEC still talking

BY GEORGE SIVELL, CITY EDITOR

SIR Colin Southgate, chairman of Thorn EMI, told the company's annual meeting that "no agreement has been reached" with GEC over the possible purchase of the defence interests of Thorn EMI Electronics.

He added: "I am sure you will understand that at this stage it would be premature to make any further comment." Neither Thorn Security nor the civil part of Thorn EMI Electronics are included in the discussions. On prospects, Sir Colin said: "The recession in continental Europe continues, in some countries it has deepened since the end of May. Economic recovery in Britain is only gradual, while in America it is softening. In these conditions, we will all need to keep costs down and to find new ways to increase revenues and profits."

EMI Music "started the new financial year well, with a strong programme of new releases". Janet Jackson's new album, *Janet*, on Virgin has sold more than 4 million copies worldwide in the first five weeks of its release. Sir Colin said prospects for growth in music remained good, especially in South America and South East Asia, "as and when piracy is brought under control".

On rental, Sir Colin said that "although the traditional rental market in Britain continues to decline slowly, we are introducing a range of new products and financial packages which I am confident will generate additional revenue growth." Thorn shares rose 8p, to 920p.

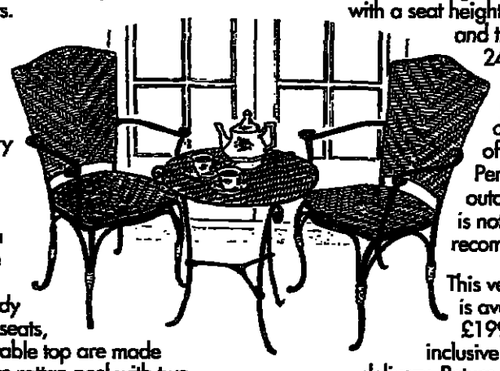
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How spending outstripped lending at EBRD

Colin Narbrough analyses the report into overspending at the bank founded to help the former Soviet bloc enter the free market


SIMON WALKER

The bank that liked to say yes: marbled headquarters of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, in London's Broadgate

The damning audit report on the free-spending ways of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and Jacques Attali, its controversial first president, is intended to close a chapter of the bank's history that has badly tarnished its image.

The findings of the bank's audit committee investigation, published yesterday, have produced a tome the size of a telephone directory, which catalogues excesses of spending on the EBRD's prestige headquarters in the City, and by senior officials, foremost of whom was M Attali.

The bank, M Attali's brainchild, was founded in April 1991 to help the command economies of the former Soviet bloc effect the transformation to the free market, private enterprise and entrepreneurial initiative. There is no little irony that the institution set up to foster better economic management has so quickly fallen prey to bureaucratic muddle, indequate financial control and cavalier use of bank funds by its leader and senior officials close to him.

The official report, ordered by the governors on April 15 after a spate of revelations about lavish spending on the bank's Broadgate headquarters and M Attali's liberal use of private jets, appears to have been the final move in a series of events that were triggered in late December by directors alarmed by the figures in the bank's 1993 budget.

The directors then started to tighten up procedures, a process that was inevitably going to uncover the laxity of control concerning the luxurious headquarters and the free use of funds by the president's office. It could be that the step-by-step tightening of the net was designed to catch M Attali and persuade him to leave. If so, it succeeded.

Although he has been widely acknowledged as one of the best western champions of the cause of the emerging democracies of eastern and central Europe, M Attali has never been a popular choice as president, especially not with the British and North American governments. His lack of banking expertise, flamboyant style, and the Francophone clique around him, have provoked persistent criticism.

But the report published yesterday does not deal with such animosities. It is a stunning indictment of his presidency of little more that two years. With the lion's share of the criticism heaped on him, he decided to step down immediately, two months ahead of the departure he had planned after announcing his premature resignation last month.

The disclosure that he had been paid $30,000 for a lecture in Japan and claimed reimbursement twice for a first class flight to the Far East was what prompted his resignation decision. The report found that "some of the president's non-bank sources of remuneration appear to be inconsistent with the Code of Conduct".

He is blamed for the excessive use of private aircraft, personally accounting for the bulk of the 57 flights the EBRD has ordered. His slow reimbursement of personal expenditures put on the EBRD's corporate credit cards, failure to disclose the existence of a Paris office to the directors, and personal choice of architect for the bank, are all condemned.

But the report does not reserve its criticism for M Attali. His ten-man executive committee and the bank's 23 directors are handed their share of blame for general sloppiness in cost control.

Better planning and control of expenditure, especially that associated with fitting out the EBRD headquarters, could have achieved substantial cost savings, the report concludes. Its final cost is put at £66.2 million. This compares with the initial estimate of £53 million. The last budget approved had, however, raised the figure to £62.5 million.

The separate external audit by Coopers & Lybrand, which focuses on the building project, recognises that the cost was higher because of the need for a flexible layout and the speed and quality of the fit-out but says EBRD should agree and implement a precise policy for involvement of the board and executive committee in the inception and subsequent control of internal capital projects.

The committee says categorically that the lack of competitive tendering, such as in the choice of architects, is not an acceptable practice for a public sector institution.

Amidst the criticism, the bank's report voices general satisfaction with procedures for authorising and controlling routine expenditure, but expresses concern about the way in which M Attali and some members of his office has been allowed to spend without supervision.

While describing its probe as comprehensive, the audit committee sows seeds of doubt in saying that there "could be certain questions of interest that remain unanswered". It underlines the need to draw the necessary conclusions for the future to allow the bank to refocus on its operations in eastern and central Europe.

The committee, which says it has been working with management "intensively" to improve budgetry controls, has recommended that management should in future report to the board and "thoroughly justify" cost overruns beyond agreed limits and assess budget performance on input-output criteria. Increased accountability is called for at all levels.

Other recommendations include a reallocation of responsibilty for resources within departments and the vice-presidencies. It was the lack of a clearly identified person responsible for the headquarters project that was found to be a cause of increased cost and confusion.

The audit committee was "generally satisfied" with the bank's system for authorising and controlling routine expenditures, but said the proper control of expenditure requires more than simply sound procedures, but a "general ethos of prudence and probity throughout the organisation". Responsibility for this rests with the president and the board of directors.

Auditor calls for tighter controls

THE audit committee's recommendations are:

- That a more detailed and restrictive policy on the use of chartered flights and Concorde, that applies to all bank personnel, and which is consistent with practice of other similar institutions, be formally incorporated into the general travel policies.
- That a clear policy concerning the buying of vehicles and their assignment to individual senior management be developed. The acquisition of vehicles should be the responsibility of the vice president, personnel and administration. A policy on the car entitlements of senior managements should be considered by the board.
- All grants and gifts, and the agreed conditions for their use, be reported to the board at the time they are accepted.
- A policy be adopted on office facilities outside countries of operations as soon as possible. Meanwhile, the offer by the French finance minister of premises in Paris for the use of bank personnel should *not* be accepted.
- A policy on the bank's art collection should be adopted, including the approval of an art budget and the maintenance of an adequate register.
- A procedure be set up whereby expenditure by the bank's president is authorised by the vice president, finance. All expenditure made on behalf of the president should be included in the president's expenses and be subject to approval. Expenditure above a certain threshold determined by the board should be countersigned by the chairman of the finance committee.
- The internal auditor should report his findings to the chairman of the audit committee, so as to ensure the internal auditor's independence and objectivity.

Peter Sutherland adopts rugby tactics to hasten trade accord

George Brock profiles Gatt's pugnacious director-general


Stark choice: Gatt failure means chaos, Sutherland says

Niccolo Machiavelli advised the treaty negotiators of his age: "It is an error for princes to come together in their persons to consummate what their envoys have failed to." Ten days ago, the princes of the G7 industrial nations descended on Tokyo in defiance of the Italian sage's advice. No breakthrough on trade liberalisation seemed to be in sight. But at the last moment, trade envoys from America, the EC, Japan and Canada pulled a deal out of the hat. The princes went away happy.

That, however, is not the end of the story. The action moved out of the Tokyo limelight and into a squat granite building on the shores of Lake Geneva. At the headquarters of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, dust is blown off files that have not been opened for a year or two. In his first-floor office, a new boss is in a hurry.

Peter Sutherland, 47, an Irish lawyer and former EC commissioner, took over as Gatt director-general less than three weeks ago. He has five months to nudge 116 states into signing the most ambitious free trade deal ever attempted, and the obstacles to be overcome remain huge.

The Tokyo tariff-cutting deal may have delivered new impetus to the talks, but it has also reopened quarrels half-forgotten during the long squabble between Europe and America over cutting farm subsidies. Sutherland can survive and succeed only by isolating a few key targets and hitting them with force.

His formal powers are limited to facilitating negotiations between states. His informal power lies in pointing a finger at the guilty. The Uruguay Round of talks on revising the Gatt treaty has dragged on for seven years and almost ran out of steam, but no individual or government took the blame. Now Sutherland talks about "visibility" and "transparency". He means that he plans to pillory foot-draggers. Governments "have not in the past been prepared to take the decisions that were required," he says. "They've always had the prospect of a second run at it. But this will be a very visible five months. It will expose who is not moving."

He is a short, bulky man who bustles and talks fast. His impatience has alarmed a few grey heads in Geneva. Tran Van Thinh, the EC's veteran trade negotiator, told him to slow down at the first ambassadors' meeting he addressed. It's all right to harvest coconuts, Thinh said, but not to shake the tree so much that it falls on your head. Sutherland fired back a line from an unidentified Irishman: "If you don't know where you're going, you'll end up somewhere else."

Sutherland's record suggests that he has a determined way with obstacles thought to be immovable. He was a passionate rugby player in his university days in Dublin and is said to have broken his nose nine times but refused to stop playing. He began as a barrister and at 38 was appointed Ireland's youngest-ever Attorney-General. He helped to persuade Irish courts that IRA suspects should not be allowed to evade extradition on specious political grounds.

He went to Brussels as Ireland's commissioner in charge of competition and fought tenaciously, against British and French opposition, to expand EC powers to vet mergers and acquisitions. He advocates a federal Europe and wants international rules that are strong enough to matter. Although the merger control law was not finally agreed until Sutherland had returned to Ireland, by the time he left he had secured its passage.

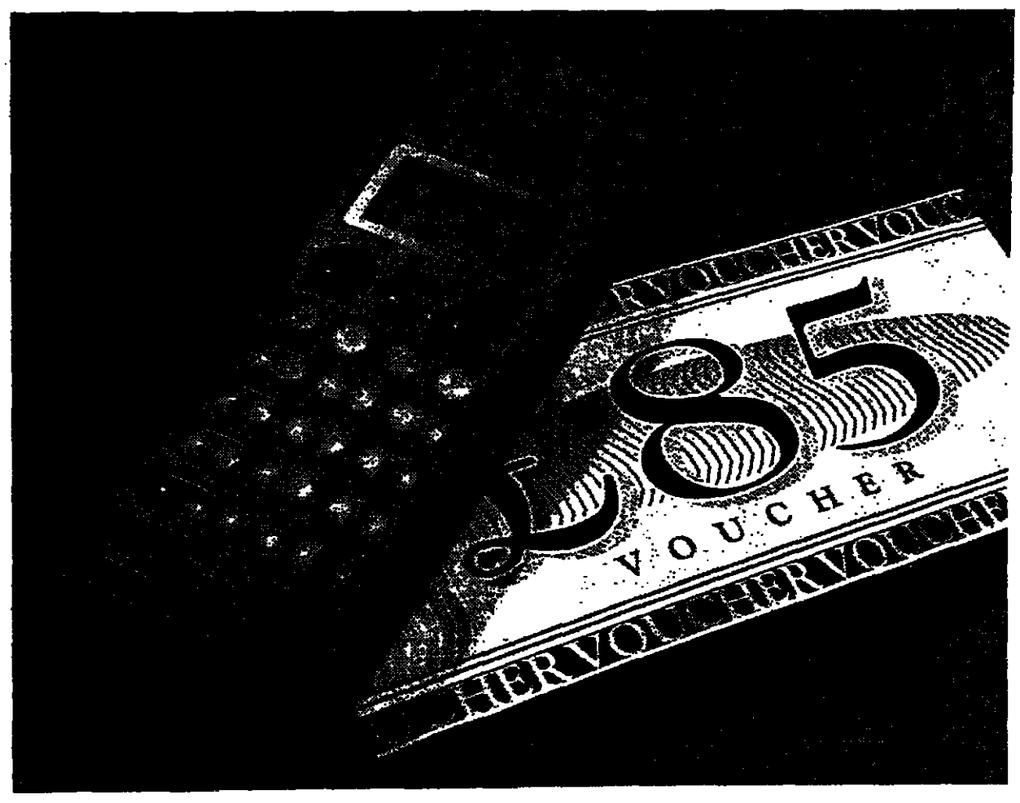
He wants to go back to Brussels. A whispering campaign has started to put him on the short list of candidates to succeed Jacques Delors as head of the European Commission in 1995. After a long-running French socialist, EC leaders might lean towards a right-of-centre politician from a small country. If the Gatt talks dissolve into acrimonious failure at the end of the year, however, Sutherland's reputation will suffer.

His attention is concentrated on the months remaining before President Clinton's trade negotiating mandate from the US Congress runs out on December 15. He sees his task as raising politicians' eyes from the small print of import quotas for aspirins and avocados.

Sutherland believes a deal is vital as a defence against chaos. "The former state trading countries like Russia see this clearly. Market opportunities are crucial for them because they are vital to the political survival of democracy." Brushfire trade disputes have so far been kept under control, he says. But serious tensions without a multilateral framework will lead to the "law of the jungle".

Sutherland aims to diminish what he thinks has been excessive attention paid to agriculture. He keeps an eye on France's rhetorical campaign to derail the EC-US farm agreement but appears confident that the deal will remain intact. He seems more worried about America. Will Clinton and Congress live with a tougher world trade body that limits America's power? Sutherland is polite about Mickey Kantor, the new US trade chief — "his bottom line is a commitment to the multilateral process" — but admits that the Clinton administration's tactics sit uneasily with the global trade system envisaged in the draft Gatt treaty. "Crowbar diplomacy in economics ultimately becomes a question of might is right," he says. "There has to be a better way."

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, has been heard to say that the odds of a Gatt deal by year's end are 50-50 at best. Sutherland's private assessment might not be much different. Can it be done? "I don't know. I'm not a magician. I'm not going to be able to conjure political agreement where there's a lack of political will. I came here because I believe fundamentally in this system. All I can do is give it my best shot."



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WORLD MARKETS

Nikkei rises in poll run-up

Tokyo — Japanese shares ended firmer on brokerage dealer buying of a limited number of popular shares. The Nikkei index closed up 173.51, or 0.86 per cent, at 20,331.53.

The market was otherwise relatively quiet as most investors took a wait-and-see stance before Sunday's general election, brokers said.

☐ **New York** — Wall Street shares steadied at modestly lower levels at midday as a sharp decline in the secondary market weighed on sentiment. Several earnings disappointments knocked individual shares and also dampened any enthusiasm. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 13.97, at 3,536.96.

☐ **Frankfurt** — The Dax broke out of a four-point range to close 5.8 higher at 1,813.46. Share prices now seem more likely to start rising again, because 1,800 has proved to give the market good support, dealers said. The market was still stuck in a phase of consolidation, as players waited for the market to digest last week's steep gains, and to see whether the high levels would last.

☐ **Singapore** — Shares surged in late trading, mainly because of bargain-hunting in selective index stocks, mostly in the shipyard sector, brokers said. The Straits Times index closed up 14.71, at 1,777.66. "We were surprised at the price rise after dull trading for most of the day," one broker said. "There was no particular reason for prices to go up." Barring shipyards, price changes were small.

☐ **Sydney** — Shares slipped, with key issues and gold easing. The all-ordinaries index closed down 6.1, at 1,799.8. Jenny Gough, of Jardine Fleming, said: "The market was holding nicely above 1,800, but big falls in BHP and other blue chips dragged it back." Brokers said firmer alcohol and tobacco stocks limited the slide. *(Reuter)*

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STOCK MARKET

Investors look for premium in early BT3 trading

DEALINGS in BT3 begin on Monday, with private investors and institutions looking for a useful premium to be established in early trading.

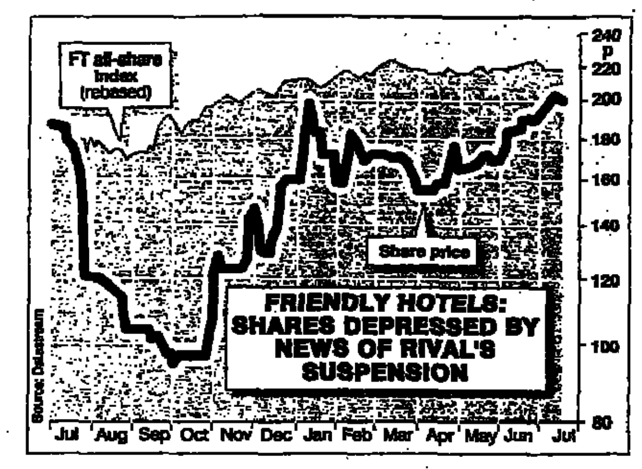
Last night, as SG Warburg began counting applications, brokers were predicting that the price would open around the 165p level, in the middle, giving private investors a 15p premium on their discounted and partly paid offer of 150p, and giving a premium on the 160p partly paid price offered by institutions.

The issue is expected to be oversubscribed and to attract heavy support from institutions, particularly income funds impressed by the strong yield. The partly paid shares are entitled to the 9.45p final dividend payable for the year to March 31, just ended, and the interim payment expected in the current year. Last night, the fully paid BT share price closed 1p cheaper at 408½p.

A late and modest rally enabled the rest of the equity market to end the two-week trading account up on the day, but only just. The FT-SE 100 index wiped out an earlier fall of almost 10 points to finish 1.3 up, at 2,833. That is a loss of 24.7 over the two weeks. By the close, 628 million shares had changed hands.

In spite of the rally, it was a lacklustre performance, with dealers reporting little demand for the new account starting on Monday. Investors' attention this week has been absorbed by BT3, and institutions have been unwilling to commit fresh funds to the market until they have a better idea of take-up and how much cash has to be allocated.

Among leaders, **Wellcome** ran into further turbulence, falling 16p to 634p after a profits downgrading by the New York stockbroker Smith Barney, which has turned bearish of pharmaceuticals. **SmithKline Beecham A** fell 6p to 415p ahead of second-quarter figures next week. Analysts are looking for a pre-tax profit of about £275 million.



Smith & Nephew fell 3p to 140½p on talk of a sell recommendation by Goldman Sachs in New York.

Inchape, the overseas trader, dropped 7p to 528p on talk of a profit downgrading by the stockbroker James Capel, believed to have reduced its pre-tax profit forecast for the current year to £290 million.

P&O, the shipping to construction group, jumped 13p to 634p amid speculation that it is about to dispose of part of its property portfolio to British Land/Quantum, the joint venture established by John Ritblat and George Soros.

The hotel sector suffered another blow as shares of **Resort Hotels** were suspended at 45p while independent accountants investigate various reporting and financing issues. A couple of months ago, debt-laden Queens Moat was suspended. Resort's suspension left the rival **Friendly Hotels** 21p lower at 218p.

Great Universal Stores A continued to make headway, jumping 35p to £19.10 after Thursday's confirmation that the non-voting shares are to be enfranchised. The ordinary were 34p lower at £34.

☐ **GILT-EDGED**: Gilts suffered early losses waiting for the Bank of England to confirm details of the next gilt auction. However, prices at the longer end rallied strongly after it was decided to tap the short end of the market between 1999 and 2002.

In futures, the September series of the long gilt ended six ticks lower at £108 13/16, with 30,000 contracts completed.

Treasury 9 per cent 2012 hardened £3/16 to £110½. **Treasury 9½ per cent 1999** fell 13 ticks to £110 31/32.

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WALL STREET

	Jul 16 midday	Jul 15 close
AMP Inc	61	61¼
AMR Corp	62¾	62
Abbott Labs	24⅞	25⅛
Aetna Life	57⅜	57⅞
Ahmanson (HF)	19⅝	19⅛
Air Prod & Chem	42⅛	42
Albertson's	53⅜	52⅞
Alcan Aluminium	18⅜	18⅝
Alco Standard	43⅞	43⅞
Allied Signal	68	68
Alum Co of Am	70⅛	71¼
Amax	24	24⅛
Amerada Hess	47⅝	47
Amer Brands	33⅛	33⅛
Amer Cyanamid	53⅞	53⅞
Amer El Power	38	37⅝
Amer Express	31¼	31¼
Amer Genl Corp	30⅜	31⅛
Amer Home Pr	63⅞	63⅛
Amer Intl	136⅛	137⅛
Amer Stores	44¼	44¼
Amer T & T	63⅞	64
Ameritech	78⅝	78
Amoco	52⅝	53⅛
Anheuser-Busch	47⅜	47⅝
Apple Computer	28	35⅛
Archer Daniels	23⅝	23⅛
Arkla	9⅛	10
Armco	7⅛	7⅛
Armstrong Wrld	31¼	30⅝
Asarco	18⅛	18⅝
Ashland Oil	26⅝	26⅞
Atl Richfield	111¼	111¼
Auto Data Pro	49	48⅝
Avery Dennison	29⅛	29⅛
Avon Products	58⅝	58⅞
Baker Hughes	25⅞	25⅝
Baltim Gas & El	25⅛	25⅛
Banc One	55⅞	55⅞
BankAmerica	45⅝	44⅝
Bank of NY	57⅞	57⅛
Bankers Tr NY	76⅝	77
Barnett Banks	46	46⅛
Bausch & Lomb	48⅝	48⅝
Baxter Intl	26⅞	27⅛
Becton Dickinson	38	38
Bell Atlantic	57⅜	57
BellSouth	56	55⅝
Black & Decker	21⅛	21¼
Block (H&R)	36	35⅝
Boeing	37⅛	37⅝
Boise Cascade	22⅛	22⅞
Borden Inc	18	17⅛
Bristol Myrs Sq	57⅞	58
Browning Ferris	27⅛	27⅛
Burlington Nthn	52⅝	52⅝
CBS	245⅞	245⅛
CNA Financial	92	91¼
CPC Intl	41¼	41¼
CSX	69⅞	69⅞
Campbell Soup	39⅞	39⅛
Can Pacific	14⅛	15
Cptl Cities ABC	506¼	510
Cpd Holdings	42⅝	42⅛
Carolina Pwr	32⅝	33
Caterpillar	78	77⅛
Central & SW	32⅛	32⅛
Champion Intl	32⅞	32⅝
Chase Manhat	32⅛	32⅞
Chemical Bk	39⅝	39⅛
Chevron Corp	83⅛	83⅝
Chrysler	45⅛	46⅛
Chubb Corp	92⅛	92⅛
Cigna Corp	58	57⅞
Citicorp	31¼	31¼
Clorox	53⅛	55
Coastal Corp	26⅛	26⅝
Coca Cola	44⅛	44⅛
Colgate-Palmolive	55⅞	56⅝
Columbia Gas	22⅛	22⅝
Commonw Ed	28	28⅛
Compaq Comp	44⅝	46⅛
Comp Ass Intl	28⅛	29
Conagra	25⅞	25⅝
Cons Edison	36	36
Cons Nat Gas	48⅛	48⅝
Cons Rail	53⅝	53⅛
Cooper Inds	50	50⅛
Corning Inc	33⅛	33
Crown Cork	34⅛	34⅛
Dana Corp	54⅝	53⅝
Dayton Hudson	68⅛	67⅝
Deere	65⅛	65⅛
Delta Air Lines	47⅝	47⅛
Deluxe Corp	38⅝	38⅞
Detroit Edison	35⅛	35⅛
Digital Equip	39⅝	40⅛
Dillard Dept St	36⅛	36⅝
Disney (Walt)	37⅛	37⅛
Dominion Res	45⅛	45⅝
Donelley (RR)	29⅝	29⅛
Dover Corp	48⅛	48⅝
Dow Chemicals	57⅜	57⅞
Dow Jones	28⅝	28⅛
Dresser	24⅝	24⅞
Duke Power	41⅝	41¼
Dun & Brdstreet	60	60⅞
Du Pont	48⅝	48⅛
Eastman Kodak	51½	51⅝
Eaton Corp	43½	43⅝
Emerson Elec	58⅝	58⅛
Engelhard Corp	36⅞	37
Enron Corp	64⅛	64⅛
Ensergy Corp	37⅝	37⅛
Ethyl Corp	18⅛	19⅛
Exxon	64⅛	64⅛
FMC Corp	47⅝	47⅝
FPL Group	38⅛	38⅞
Federal Express	54⅛	54⅛
Fed Nat Mtge	83⅝	83⅛
First Chicago	44	43⅛
First Interstate	64⅛	64⅝
First Union Rlty	10⅛	10⅛
Fleet Finl Grp	33	33⅝
Fluor Corp	43	42⅞
Ford Motor	50⅞	51
GTE Corp	37	37
Gannett	50	50⅛
Gap Inc Del	28⅛	29⅛
Gen Dynamics	88⅛	87⅛
Gen Electric	98⅛	98⅛
Gen Mills	66⅝	67⅛
Gen Motors	47⅛	47⅛
Gen Reinsurance	119⅛	120⅛
Gen Signal	65⅞	65⅛
Genuine Parts	36⅛	36⅛
Georgia Pac	60⅛	59⅝
Gillette	54⅛	54⅛
Glaxo ADR	16	16⅛
Goodrich (BF)	44⅛	45⅛
Goodyear Tire	42⅝	41¼
Grace (WR)	40⅝	40⅛
Grt Atl Pac Tea	31	31¼
Great Wstn Fin	17⅛	17⅝
Halliburton	37⅛	37⅝
Harcourt General	39⅛	39⅝
Heinz (HJ)	35⅞	36
Hercules	78⅛	78⅝
Hershey Foods	46	46⅛
Hewlett Packard	75⅝	76⅛
Hilton Hotels	44⅛	44⅞
Home Depot	44	44⅞
Homestake Mng	19⅛	19⅝
Honeywell	39⅛	39⅝
Household Intl	74⅛	75
Houston Inds	45⅝	45⅛
Humana	12⅛	12⅝
ITT Corp	87	87⅛
Illinois Tool	37⅝	37⅝
INCO	20⅝	21
Ingersoll Rand	32⅛	32⅝
Inland Steel	28⅛	28⅝
Intel Corp	52⅝	52⅛
IBM	46⅝	47⅛
Intl Flav & Fr	114⅛	114⅛
Intl Paper	64	64⅝
James River Va	20⅞	20⅛
Jhnsn & Jhnsn	39⅛	39⅝
K Mart	20⅞	20⅝
Kellogg	51¼	51¼
Kerr-McGee	50⅞	50⅞
Kimberly-Clark	47⅝	47⅛
Knight-Ridder	53⅞	53⅞
Lilly (Eli)	48⅛	48⅛
Limited Inc	21⅛	21⅛
Lin Brdcstng	103⅝	104⅛
Lincoln Nat	39⅛	39⅛
Litton	63⅞	64⅛
Liz Claiborne	23⅝	25⅝
Lockheed Corp	67	66
Louisiana Pac	32⅛	33
MCI Commun	27⅛	28⅛
Marriott	27⅛	27⅛
Marsh & McLen	85⅝	85⅛
Masco Corp	27⅞	28⅛
May Dept St	40⅛	40⅛
Maytag Corp	15	15⅛
McCaw Cellular	48⅝	49⅛
McDonalds	49⅛	49⅛
McDonnell D	72⅛	71¼
McGraw Hill	59⅝	59⅛
Mead Corp	42	42
Medtronic	63⅝	64⅛
Mellon Bk	54⅛	55⅛
Melville Corp	46⅛	46⅞
Merck Inc	33⅝	33⅝
Merrill Lynch	82⅝	83⅛
Minnesota Mine	110⅛	110
Mobil Corp	69⅝	69⅛
Monsanto	58⅛	58⅝
Morgan (JP)	72⅛	71¼
Motorola Inc	87⅝	88⅝
Natl Medical	11¼	11¼
Natl Semi	16⅝	17⅛
Natl Service Ind	26⅛	26⅛
Navistar Inc	27⅛	27⅛
NBD Bancorp	33¼	32⅝
NY Times A	24⅛	24⅝
Newmont Mng	53⅞	53⅛
Niag Mohawk	24⅛	24⅛
Nike B	57⅝	57⅛
NL Industries	5⅛	5⅛
Nordstrom	27⅝	27⅝
Norfolk Sthrn	63⅛	63⅛
Nthn State Pwr	45⅛	45⅛
Norwest Corp	27⅛	26⅝
Nynex Corp	91⅛	90⅝
Occidental Pet	20⅛	20⅝
Ohio Edison	25	24⅝
Oracle Systems	47⅛	49⅝
Oryx Energy Co	19⅝	20⅛
Owens Corning	41⅝	41⅝
PNC Financial	31¼	31
PPG Industries	67⅛	68⅛
Paccar Inc	59⅝	58⅛
Pacificorp	18⅛	18⅝
Pac Enterprises	24⅝	24⅛
Pac Gas & Elec	34⅛	34⅛
Pac Telesis	49⅛	49⅝
Pall Corp	17⅛	18⅛
Panhandle East	23⅛	23⅝
Paramount Comm	57⅛	54⅛
Parker Hannifin	31¼	31¼
Penney (JC)	44⅛	44⅛
Pennzoil	62	61⅝
Pepsico	35⅛	35⅞
Pfizer	63	63⅝
Phelps Dodge	45⅛	46
Philadel Elec	30⅝	30⅝
Philip Morris	48⅛	49⅛
Phillips Pet	28⅝	28⅛
Pitney Bowes	40⅛	41⅛
Polaroid	37	37⅛
Price Co	34⅛	34⅛
Primerica	51¼	51¼
Procter & Gmbl	50⅛	51⅛
Pub Serv E & G	34⅛	34⅛
Quaker Oats	68⅛	68⅛
Ralston Purina	45⅛	45⅛
Raychem Corp	38⅛	37⅛
Raytheon	61¼	60⅛
Reebok Intl	26⅛	27⅛
Reynolds Metals	49⅛	49⅛
Roadway Srvcs	58⅛	58⅛
Rockwell Intl	31¼	31¼
Rohm & Haas	53⅛	53⅛
Royal Dutch	90⅛	90⅛
Rubbermaid	30⅛	29⅝
Safeco Corp	59⅛	59⅛
St Paul's Cos	80⅛	80⅝
Salomon Inc	39⅛	39
Santa Fe S Pac	17⅛	17
Sara Lee Corp	24⅛	24
Scecorp	23⅛	23⅛
Schering Plough	65⅛	66⅛
Schlumberger	62	62⅛
Scott Paper	32⅛	32⅛
Seagram	28⅛	28⅛
Sears Roebuck	45⅛	45⅛
Shell Trans	55	55⅛
Sherwin Wlms	30⅛	31⅛
Skyline Corp	18⅛	18⅛
Snap-On-Tools	38⅛	38⅛
Southern Co	42⅛	42⅛
Sthwestern Bell	40⅛	39⅝
Sprint Corp	33⅛	34⅛
Stanley Works	41⅛	41⅛
Sun Company	25⅛	25⅛
Suntrust	45⅛	46⅛
Supervalu	36⅛	36⅛
Syntex Corp	17⅛	18
Sysco Corp	26	25⅛
TRW Inc	62⅛	62⅛
Tandem Comp	10	10⅛
Tandy Corp	29⅛	29
Telecom Corp	3⅛	3⅛
Teledyne	24⅛	23⅛
Temple Inland	44⅛	43⅛
Tenneco	51	50⅛
Texaco	61⅛	61⅛
Texas Inst	73⅛	75⅛
Texas Utilities	48⅛	48
Textron	53⅛	53⅛
Time Warner	38	38⅛
Times-Mirror	30⅛	30⅛
Timken	32⅛	32⅛
Torchmark	55⅛	54⅛
Toys R Us	35⅛	35⅛
Transamerica	54⅛	54⅛
Travelers Corp	29⅛	30⅛
Tribune	50	49⅛
Tyco Labs	40⅛	40⅛
UAL Corp	133	130⅛
UST Inc	29	29⅛
USX Marathon	16⅛	16⅛
Unilever NV	98⅛	99⅛
Union Camp	42⅛	42⅛
Union Carbide	19⅛	19
Union Pacific	60⅛	60
Unisys Corp	11⅛	11⅛
USAIR Group	14⅛	15
USF&G Corp	18⅛	19⅛
US Life	41	40⅛
US West	46⅛	46⅛
United Tech	53⅛	54⅛
Unocal Corp	28⅛	28⅛
Upjohn	28	28⅛
VF Corp	45⅛	46⅛
WMX Tech	31⅛	31⅛
Wal-Mart Stores	26⅛	26⅛
Warner-Lambert	65⅛	67⅛
Wells Fargo	109	108⅛
Westinghouse El	16	16⅛
Weyerhaeuser	39⅛	40⅛
Whirlpool	57⅛	57⅛
Whitman	14⅛	14
Winn Dixie	58⅛	58⅛
Woolworth	26⅛	26⅛
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	33⅛	33⅛
Xerox	76	76⅛

RECENT ISSUES

AG Holdings (125)	128	...
Anagen (100)	88	-2
Baring Chrysalis C (339)	356	...
Baring Emrg Mtks ($10)	679	...
Business Post (120)	138	+2
Carpetright (148)	165	...
Celsis Intl (100)	103	...
Court Cavendish (225)	196	...
Crabtree (150)	232	-1
Creston Wts	7½	...
Devro Intl (170)	191	-1
Eaglet Inv Trust	97	...
Eaglet Inv Wts	34	...
Enviromed (110)	117	...
Eurotunnel Wts 1993–	16¼	+¼
Nrthrn Irlnd Elec (100)	135½	-½

RISES:

Schroders .... 960p (+10p)
Standard Chart .... 848p (+15p)
P&O .... 633p (+13p)
Evans Of Leeds .... 185p (+10p)
Bass .... 475p (+10p)
Takeda Chem .... 888p (+18p)
VSEL .... 848p (+13p)
Vosper Thorny .... 604p (+17p)
Liberty Life .... 983p (+17p)

FALLS:

Bellway .... 377p (-10p)
Auto Sec .... 162p (-12p)
Wellcome .... 634p (-16p)

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UNIT-LINKED INSURANCE INVESTMENTS

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
AEGON LIFE ASSURANCE Aegon House, Lanark Square, London E14 9XS 071 538 8808				
Series Mngd Fd	394.40	417.40	-1.10	...
Series Equity	493.10	521.80	-3.50	...
Series Prop Fd	393.80	416.80	+0.40	...
Series Fixed Int	315.00	333.40	+0.50	...
Series Money Fd	240.50	254.50	+0.20	...
Series Oseas Fd	305.40	323.20	+1.70	...
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE 2-12 Pentonville Road, London N1 9XD 0800 010575				
Life Funds				
Squirrel	17.23	18.14	+0.01	...
Bear	18.13	19.09	+0.06	...
Owl	17.77	18.71	-0.03	...
Bull	16.17	17.03	+0.07	...
Stag	17.12	18.03	+0.05	...
Gilt Edged	18.11	18.11	-0.11	...
Deposit	15.19	15.19	+0.01	...
Pensions				
Squirrel	22.92	24.13	+0.02	...
Bear	24.06	25.33	+0.07	...
Owl	23.45	24.69	+0.05	...
Bull	20.24	21.31	+0.08	...
Stag	20.83	21.93	+0.07	...
Gilt Edged	22.20	22.20	+0.14	...
Deposit	19.23	19.23	+0.01	...
Pre 1982 Series				
3-Way Fund	529.82	529.83	-2.45	...
1982 Series				
UK Equity	315.80	332.43	+0.67	...
N Amer Equity	281.20	296.01	...	...
Far East Equity	367.71	387.07	+1.12	...
Fixed	283.45	298.37	+1.79	...
Cash Deposit	195.45	205.74	+0.12	...
Property	119.79	126.10	+3.33	...
Special Opp	337.94	355.73	-1.11	...
Managed	276.33	290.88	+1.17	...
Index-Linked Fd	187.39	197.26	+0.88	...
ABBEY LIFE Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0202 292373				
Property Fd Inc	253.10	266.50	+0.10	...
-do- Acc	445.40	468.90	+0.20	...
Equity Fd Inc	151.30	159.30	-1.40	...
-do- Acc	196.40	206.80	-1.90	...
Selective Fd	442.00	465.30	+0.40	...
Money Fd	358.60	377.50	+0.40	...
Prop Fd Ser 4	347.20	365.50	-0.10	...
Equity Ser 4	193.50	203.70	-1.40	...
Man Ser 4	599.40	631.00	-1.00	...
Conv Ser 4	314.20	330.80	+0.30	...
Money Ser 4	313.90	330.50	+0.30	...
Fixed Int Ser 4	330.30	347.70	+2.00	...
American Ser 4	484.80	510.40	+2.10	...
High Inc Ser 4	590.30	621.40	-1.30	...
Indexed Inv Ser 4	201.50	212.30	-1.40	...
Japan Ser 4	365.70	385.00	+12.70	...
ALBANY LIFE 3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar EN6 1AJ 0707 42311				
Equity Fd Acc	1404.8	1478.7	-7.10	...
European Fd Acc	307.30	323.40	+0.90	...
Fixed Int Acc	505.90	532.50	+3.70	...
Gtd Money Acc	319.40	336.10	+0.20	...
Intl Managed Acc	536.10	564.30	+2.00	...
Int Fxd Int Acc	321.70	338.60	+1.20	...
Japan Fund	296.50	312.10	+9.50	...
N American Acc	305.80	321.80	-3.00	...
Prop Fd Acc	369.20	388.50	+0.30	...
Multiple Inv Acc	943.70	993.30	-1.60	...
ALLIED DUNBAR ASSURANCE Swindon SN1 1EL 0793 514514				
Fxd Int Dep Acc	355.40	374.20	+0.30	...
Equity Acc	1241.9	1307.3	-3.80	...
Property Acc	474.50	499.50	+0.50	...
Far East Acc	262.30	276.20	-1.40	...
Managed Capital	485.80	511.40	+1.70	...
-do- Acc	962.80	1013.5	+3.70	...
Overseas Acc	827.10	870.70	+2.50	...
Gilt Edged Acc	448.60	472.30	+3.30	...
Amer Equity Acc	711.80	749.30	+4.00	...
Amer Man Acc	306.30	322.50	-1.60	...
Amer Prop Acc	117.50	123.70	+0.70	...
AXA EQUITY & LAW LIFE ASSURANCE Amersham Road, High Wycombe, Bucks 0494 463463				
Reserve Ser 5	136.80	144.00	+0.40	...
Balced Ser 5	623.10	655.80	+4.70	...
Opportunity Ser 5	140.80	148.20	+0.30	...
UK Equities Ser 5	838.80	882.90	+8.10	...
Higher Inc Ser 5	901.10	948.50	+4.00	...
North Amer Ser 5	422.10	444.30	+9.70	...
Far East Ser 5	504.90	531.40	+8.70	...
Europe Ser 5	310.00	326.30	+0.60	...
Intnl Ser 5	505.40	532.00	+0.90	...
Property Ser 5	455.90	479.80	+0.40	...
Fixed Int Ser 5	396.00	416.80	+1.80	...
Ind-Lnkd Sec S5	175.30	184.50	+0.50	...
Gteed Dep Ser 5	283.40	298.30	+0.30	...
BARCLAYS LIFE 252 Romford Road, London E7 9JB 081 534 5544				
Equity Acc	740.50	779.50	-3.90	...
-do- Initial	514.10	541.20	-2.70	...
Gilt Edged Acc	372.20	391.80	+2.20	...
-do- Initial	260.60	274.40	+1.50	...
International Acc	364.10	383.30	+4.10	...
-do- Initial	253.30	266.70	+2.90	...
Managed Acc	468.20	492.90	+0.40	...
-do- Initial	326.50	343.70	+0.30	...
Money Acc	278.50	293.20	+0.20	...
Property Acc	246.50	259.50	+0.30	...
-do- Initial	170.60	179.60	+0.10	...
America Acc	277.00	291.60	-2.30	...
Australia Acc	185.80	195.60	+2.60	...
Financial Acc	288.10	303.30	+2.30	...
500 Accum	402.50	424.10	-1.00	...
Japan Genl Acc	374.00	393.70	+18.50	...
Income Acc	471.10	495.90	+0.40	...
Leisure Acc	190.20	200.30	-4.50	...
Special Sits Acc	203.00	213.70	-1.40	...
Unlv Tech Acc	137.30	144.60	+1.00	...
BLACK HORSE LIFE Mountbatten House, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834000				
The Managed Fd	718.71	718.71	+1.96	...
Income Fund	682.90	718.85	-0.03	...
Extra Income	628.64	661.73	+0.80	...
Worldwide Gth	445.55	469.00	+0.93	...
Balanced Fund	588.99	619.99	+1.12	...
Smllr Cos Recov	597.15	628.58	-2.41	...
N Amer & Genl	360.96	379.96	+5.19	...
Pacific Basin	347.67	365.97	-7.90	...
German Growth	197.94	208.36	+4.79	...
Japan Growth	174.65	183.85	+7.05	...
The UK Gth Fd	186.38	196.19	-0.65	...
Conti Euro Gth	106.08	111.67	+0.02	...
Property Fund	344.21	362.33	+0.50	...
Fixed Interest	297.67	313.34	+2.81	...
Cash Fund	271.28	285.56	+0.21	...
Managed Inv	438.64	461.73	+1.16	...
Nth Amer Recov	242.40	255.16	+7.27	...
Abtrust Fund				
Managed Gth	404.10	425.37	-0.59	...
BRITANNIA LIFE ASSURANCE PO Box 37, Greenock, Renfrewshire 0475 888080				
Measured Perf	144.40	152.80	+0.50	...
Performance Plus	139.30	147.40	+0.50	...
With Profit Perf	162.70	172.10	...	...
UK Opportunity	160.40	169.70	-0.40	...
Euro Opportunity	181.50	192.00	+2.10	...
North Amer Opp	141.00	149.20	+2.30	...
Far East Opp	162.00	171.40	-0.60	...
Gwth Prop Ser 1	146.20	153.90	...	...
Gth Prop Ser 2	152.00	160.80	+0.10	...
Fixed Int	174.20	184.30	+1.00	...
Cash	149.60	158.30	+0.10	...
Overseas	161.30	170.60	+1.10	...
CANADA LIFE 2-6 High Street, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA 0707 51122				
Equity Growth	£238.60	...	...	...
Managed	296.40	312.10	+1.10	...
Property	196.60	207.00	+1.40	...
Gilt & Fxd Int	230.20	242.40	-2.40	...
Index-Linked	181.00	190.60	-0.90	...
Equity	323.00	340.10	-0.90	...
Cash	209.10	220.20	+0.10	...
CLife Euro Mgd	315.20	331.90	-0.10	...
CLife Intl Fd	340.00	358.00	+4.30	...
CANNON ASSURANCE 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876				
Equity Units	£110.00	...	-1.20	...
Property Units	£25.74	...	...	...
Bal Bd Exec Unit	£59.55	£63.02		...
2nd Equity Acc	558.30	590.80	-4.50	...
2nd High Inc Ac	544.20	575.90		...
2nd Property Acc	236.00	249.70	...	...
2nd Mngd 2 Acc	173.20	183.30	+0.70	...
2nd Mngd 3 Acc	423.80	448.50	+0.60	...
2nd Mngd 4 Acc	206.10	218.10	+0.10	...
2nd Deposit Acc	269.20	284.90	...	...
2nd Gilt Acc	285.40	302.00	+3.00	...
2nd Amer Acc	625.10	661.50	+0.40	...
2nd Intl Mny Acc	254.00	268.80	+0.50	...
2nd Index Acc	188.70	199.70	+2.00	...
2nd Far East Acc	401.70	425.10	+8.00	...
2nd Global Acc	161.10	170.50	+1.10	...
2nd Euro Acc	138.60	146.70	-0.50	...
2nd Japan Acc	211.70	224.00	+6.80	...
2nd Heritage Acc	68.40	72.40	...	...
2nd Intl Cu Bd Acc	156.80	165.90	-0.40	...
2nd Cap Gth Acc	113.00	119.60	-0.70	...
CITY OF WESTMINSTER ASSURANCE Sentry House, 500 Avebury Blvd, Milton Keynes MK9 2NU. 0908 606101				
Property Fund	176.80	186.20	...	...
Managed Fund	530.70	558.70	-4.60	...
Equity Fund	301.50	317.40	-1.90	...
CLERICAL MEDICAL/FIDELITY INVESTMENTS Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH. 0272 290566				
Assurance Funds				
Sapphire Mixed	256.80	270.40	+0.40	...
Ruby	149.10	157.00	+0.50	...
Emerald	136.80	144.00	+1.00	...
Equity	288.00	303.20	-0.90	...
Property	179.60	189.30	+3.80	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	199.30	209.80	+2.10	...
Indexed Secs	159.80	168.30	+0.50	...
Cash	178.80	188.30	+0.20	...
Nth American	203.60	214.40	-0.70	...
Far East	261.10	274.90	-0.90	...
International	211.00	222.20	+1.20	...
Special Sits	281.20	296.00	-2.50	...
Intl Income	259.30	273.00	-0.40	...
American Inc	177.70	187.10	+0.60	...
European	256.30	269.80	-2.30	...
Japanese	155.50	163.70	+5.10	...
SE Asia	278.90	293.60	-3.20	...
With Profits Reg	148.70	156.60	+0.20	...
-do- Spec	148.70	156.60	+0.20	...
Flexible Retirement Plans Funds				
Mixed	280.70	295.50	-0.20	...
Equity	324.00	341.10	-2.10	...
Property	171.60	180.70	+0.60	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	239.20	251.80	+2.60	...
Index Linked	168.00	176.90	+0.70	...
Cash	234.40	246.80	+0.30	...
Nth American	253.90	267.30	-0.50	...
Far East Acc	314.50	331.10	+7.50	...
International Acc	263.70	277.60	+2.30	...
Special Sits	418.60	440.70	-4.10	...
European Fles	344.30	362.50	-1.00	...
COLONIAL MUTUAL GROUP Colonial Mutual House, Chatham Maritime, Kent ME4 4YY. 0634 890 000				
Unitst Key	£207.31	...	+1.58	...
-do- Pacemaker	£286.94	...	+2.37	...
-do- Cash	196.16	206.48	+0.12	...
-do- Equity	479.32	504.55	+2.17	...
-do- Fxd Int	346.67	364.92	+0.99	...
-do- Managed	348.04	366.36	-1.28	...
-do- Property	273.41	287.80	+1.87	...
(Pens) Cash Cap	205.71	216.53	+0.07	...
-do- Cash Inv	286.83	301.94	+0.29	...
-do- Equity Cap	1278.6	1345.9	-3.50	...
-do- Equity Inv	1782.9	1876.7	-3.62	...
-do- Fixed Cap	379.08	399.04	+1.47	...
-do- Fixed Inv	528.36	556.39	+2.42	...
-do- Index Cap	203.62	214.35	+1.11	...
-do- Index Inv	283.92	298.88	+1.76	...
Mngd Cap	518.91	546.23	+0.58	...
Mngd Inv	723.53	761.62	-1.31	...
COMMERCIAL UNION St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3. 071 283 7500				
Var Ann Acc (5)	£606.79	...	-3.27	...
Var Ann (5)	£83.49	...	+0.45	...
Prime: Managed	357.70	376.60	-0.10	...
Prime: UK Equity	422.80	445.10	-2.00	...
Prime: Int Equity	273.50	287.90	+1.90	...
Prime: Property	196.30	206.70	+0.20	...
Prime: Fxd Int	233.50	245.80	+1.40	...
Prime: Index-Lnk	165.40	174.20	+1.20	...
Prime: Cash	196.30	206.70	+0.10	...
CONFEDERATION LIFE Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN 0438 744840				
Managed Fund	1020.1	1073.7	-6.40	...
Equity Fund	1448.6	1524.8	-15.50	...
CROWN FINANCIAL Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 0483 715033				
Life Mangd Acc	532.90	560.90	-1.90	...
Life Fxd Int Acc	353.00	371.50	+2.70	...
Life Equity Acc	721.90	759.80	-5.10	...
Life Money Acc	289.80	305.00	+0.20	...
Life Inv Tst Acc	683.00	718.90	-1.20	...
Life Intl Acc	471.90	496.70	+1.50	...
Life High Inc Acc	700.50	737.30	+1.50	...
Life Property Acc	210.40	221.40	+0.20	...
Crown Brit Inv A	1138.3	...	...	...
Brewin Equity	624.20	657.00	-0.60	...
Life Equity Acc	234.00	246.30	...	...
EAGLE STAR LIFE ASSURANCE Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ. 0242 221311				
Secure Fund	167.60	176.50	+0.20	...
Blue Chip Fund	223.60	235.40	+1.00	...
-do- Series 2	143.60	151.20	+0.70	...
Adventurous Fd	193.00	203.20	+3.90	...
-do- Series 2	145.00	152.70	+2.90	...
Performance Fd	233.40	245.70	+3.50	...
-do- Series 2	151.10	159.10	+2.30	...
UK Pref Fxd Int	140.10	147.50	-0.60	...
UK Equity Fund	140.20	147.60	-1.10	...
Property Fund	103.50	109.00	+0.70	...
Envrnmtnl Opps	138.80	146.20	-0.70	...
Euro Fund	147.50	155.30	-0.50	...
North Amer Fd	182.00	191.60	+2.50	...
Oriental Ops	160.90	169.40	-0.60	...
Japanese Fund	128.70	135.50	+4.90	...
Bd & West Life	115.90	122.00	+0.20	...
Bd & West Pen	126.50	133.20	+0.10	...
EAGLE STAR/MIDLAND 60 St Mary Axe, London EC3. 071 929 1111				
Eagle/Mid Uts	240.50	252.30	-2.70	3.63
FRIENDS' PROVIDENT Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH 0722 413366				
Managed (Mxd)	273.20	287.60	...	...
UK Equity	361.80	380.90	-1.40	...
Stewardship	313.50	330.10	-1.40	...
Overseas Equity	247.50	260.60	+1.50	...
North American	137.60	144.90	+1.20	...
Pacific Basin	138.80	146.20	+1.40	...
European	173.30	182.50	+0.10	...
Property	188.10	198.10	+0.20	...
Fixed Interest	217.00	228.50	+2.20	...
Index Linked	158.20	166.60	+0.90	...
Cash	191.20	201.30	+0.10	...
GT UNIT MANAGERS LTD Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, Lond EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567				
GT Plan Far East	313.50	330.00	+4.00	...
GT Plan Wwide	452.50	476.40	+4.10	...
GENERAL ACCIDENT 2 Rougier Street, York YO1 1HR. 0904 628982				
Managed	182.70	192.20	-0.90	...
Unitised Profit	122.80	129.20	+0.20	...
UK Equity	244.10	256.90	-2.50	...
Fixed Int	186.40	196.10	+1.30	...
Index-Linked	158.80	167.10	+0.90	...
Cash Deposit	167.50	176.20	+0.10	...
Property	164.50	173.10	+0.10	...
International	164.40	173.00	-0.20	...
American	150.00	157.80	-0.20	...
Japan	251.70	264.80	+8.20	...
Japan Smllr Cos	258.10	271.60	+8.40	...
European	156.60	164.70	-0.40	...
Pacific Fund	217.70	229.10	-3.80	...
Conv Life	129.90	136.60	-0.40	...
GENERAL PORTFOLIO LIFE Gen Portfolio House, Harlow, Essex CM20 2EW. 0279 626262				
Portfolio Acc	648.50	648.50	+0.80	...
-do- Inv A	648.40	682.60	+0.80	...
UK Equity	366.30	385.70	-3.40	...
Gilt Plus	202.10	212.90	-1.50	...
Managed	283.30	298.40	+0.50	...
Inter Man	256.00	269.60	+1.30	...
GRESHAM UNIT 2-6 Prince of Wales Road, Bournemouth 0202 752000				
Managed Bond	645.10	679.00	+0.10	...
Money Fund	303.20	319.20	+0.30	...
Equity Fund	548.70	578.20	-2.00	...
Fixed Interest	270.30	284.80	-2.00	...
Property Fund	337.20	355.30	...	...
Gresham Framlington				
American & Gnrl	529.70	558.20	+8.00	...
Income	652.90	688.00	-14.10	...
International Gth	562.30	592.40	+6.20	...
Capital Fund	566.70	597.20	-3.90	...
Recovery Fund	569.30	599.90	+7.40	...
Japan & General	279.40	294.40	+9.40	...
GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE Royal Exchange, London EC3. 071 283 7101				
Ass Prop Bds	646.80	673.70	...	...
Managed Initial	421.10	443.90	+2.00	...
-do- Acc	582.80	613.50	+3.00	...
Equity Initial	608.80	640.90	+0.20	...
-do- Acc	841.50	885.80	+0.70	...
Fixed Int Initial	421.80	444.00	+3.00	...
-do- Acc	583.00	613.70	+4.40	...
Intl Initial	423.00	445.20	+5.60	...
-do- Acc	584.60	615.40	+8.10	...
Nth Amer Initial	177.50	186.80	+1.60	...
-do- Acc	223.30	235.00	+2.10	...
Pacific Initial	229.70	241.80	-4.20	...
-do- Acc	286.20	301.30	-5.40	...
Property Initial	150.40	158.30	...	...
-do- Acc	207.70	218.60	...	...
Index-Lnkd Init	156.80	165.00	+0.90	...
-do- Acc	197.20	207.60	+1.30	...
Deposit Initial	193.60	203.80	+0.10	...
-do- Acc	267.50	281.60	+0.20	...
Euro Initial	84.00	88.40	...	...
-do- Acc	97.70	102.80	+0.10	...
HAMBRO GUARDIAN ASSURANCE Kingsgate, 1 King Edward Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4HG. 0277 280939				
Managed	146.90	154.60	+0.10	...
-do- Pens	174.80	184.00	+0.20	...
UK Equity	145.30	152.90	...	...
-do- Pens	160.30	168.70	+0.10	...
International	132.20	139.10	+1.20	...
-do- Pens	143.30	150.80	+1.60	...
Deposit	134.50	141.50	+0.10	...
-do- Pens	156.40	164.60	+0.10	...
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION 3 Finsbury Avenue, London EC2M 2PA 071 638 5757				
UK Equity Fd	343.10	365.10	-1.70	...
North America	325.60	346.40	+5.00	...
Far East Fund	531.90	565.90	-2.70	...
Global Managed	413.10	439.50	+0.20	...
Deposit Fund	219.80	231.40	-0.20	...
Prime Residential	124.70	131.30	...	...
European Fund	222.80	237.10	...	...
Fixed Interest	69.10	73.60	+0.60	...
HILL SAMUEL LIFE NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
Security Fund	453.70	480.20	-4.50	...
British Fund	457.30	484.00	-3.60	...
International	468.40	495.70	...	...
Dollar Fund	345.50	365.70	+1.60	...
Capital Fund	415.30	439.50	-3.10	...
Income Fund	623.60	659.90	-0.50	...
Property Series A	384.60	407.00	...	...
Property Units	623.40	654.80	...	...
Financial Fund	504.70	534.10	+4.80	...
Managed Ser A	486.10	514.40	-2.40	...
-do-C	275.90	292.00	...	...
Managed Units	868.60	914.40	-4.00	...
High Yield Fund	599.90	634.90	+4.40	...
Money Series A	275.30	291.40	+0.20	...
Money Units	362.90	382.00	+0.20	...
Equity Fund	547.40	579.30	-3.80	...
Fixed Interest	360.40	381.40	+2.80	...
Indexed Secs	175.60	185.90	+1.00	...
European Fund	633.50	670.40	-4.50	...
Natural Res	266.90	282.40	-4.70	...
Far East Fund	571.10	604.40	+8.40	...
Smaller Cos	425.80	450.60	-2.90	...
Special Sits	403.70	427.20	-4.70	...
Man Currency	253.70	268.10	-0.30	...
Japanese Tech	266.90	282.50	+12.00	...
US Smaller Cos	211.00	223.30	-0.20	...
IRISH LIFE ASSURANCE Irish Life Centre, Victoria Street, St Albans, Herts AL1 5TF. 0727 45151				
Global Managed	490.30	516.10	-0.30	...
Global Property	257.80	271.40	...	...
Global Fixed Int	487.50	513.20	+4.40	...
Global Equity	515.20	542.30	-1.70	...
Global Cash	204.00	214.70	+0.10	...
LAURENTIAN LIFE Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 7RZ 0452 371371				
Gilt Mgd	461.20	485.50	+3.60	...
Property	412.70	434.40	+0.30	...
Managed	378.20	398.10	+0.40	...
American	386.50	406.80	+5.90	...
UK Equity Fd	401.80	423.00	-2.60	...
Japan	217.00	228.40	+9.30	...
Index-Lkd	179.40	188.80	+0.90	...
High Yield	758.80	798.70	-3.00	...
Growth Cap	418.20	440.20	-3.70	...
Money	385.30	405.60	+0.50	...
International	359.80	378.70	+5.90	...
Henderson Active	198.20	208.60	-0.30	...
Perpetual Active	289.50	304.70	+2.20	...
Growth Cap	418.50	440.20	+3.70	...
-do- Acc	589.00	620.00	+1.10	...
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT ASSURANCE 2 Montefiore Road, Hove, Sussex BN3 1SE 0273 824000				
B Soc Lnkd Init	134.90	142.10	...	...
-do- Acc	178.20	187.60	+0.10	...
Brit Opps Int	127.90	134.70	-0.50	...
-do- Acc	152.10	160.20	-0.60	...
Cash Initial	166.90	175.60	+0.10	...
-do- Acc	275.20	289.70	+0.30	...
Equity Initial	585.40	616.30	-5.00	...
-do- Acc	965.60	1016.5	-8.40	...
Fixed Initial	348.60	367.00	+2.50	...
-do- Acc	575.00	605.30	+4.00	...
Index-Lnkd Gilt	133.90	141.00	+1.10	...
-do- Acc	188.50	198.50	+1.50	...
Intl Initial	321.70	338.70	+2.90	...
-do- Acc	522.50	550.00	+4.60	...
Managed Initial	437.50	460.60	-0.80	...
-do- Acc	721.70	759.70	-1.40	...
Property Initial	189.80	199.80	-0.20	...
-do- Acc	313.10	329.60	+0.40	...
LIFE ASSOCIATION OF SCOTLAND 113 Dundas Street, Edinburgh EH3 5EB 031 550 9800				
Managed Fund	322.10	339.10	-0.60	...
UK Equity	525.40	553.10	-4.00	...
Property	279.40	294.20	-0.10	...
Money Market	241.90	254.70	+0.20	...
Fixed Interest	304.60	320.70	+2.50	...
Japan	413.40	435.20	+18.90	...
North America	155.50	163.70	+2.40	...
International	275.30	289.80	+2.70	...
European	240.60	253.30	+0.10	...
Far East	124.60	131.20	+2.30	...
LONDON LIFE 100 Temple Street, Bristol BS1 6EA 0272 279179				
Equity	£802.90	...	-1.60	...
Fixed Interest	£390.00	...	+4.20	...
Property	£344.30	...	+0.40	...
Deposit	£278.50	...	+0.20	...
Mixed	£530.80	...	+1.00	...
Indexed Stock	£204.60	...	+1.90	...
International	£262.40	...	+2.50	...
Equity A	£186.70	...	-0.40	...
Fixed Int A	£173.40	...	+1.90	...
Property A	£151.70	...	+0.20	...
Deposit A	£164.10	...	+0.20	...
Mixed A	£174.90	...	+0.40	...
Index Stock A	£160.50	...	+1.10	...
International A	£164.30	...	+1.50	...
Equity P	£650.30	...	-1.20	...
Fixed Int P	£503.40	...	+5.90	...
Property P	£273.70	...	+0.40	...
Deposit P	£323.60	...	+0.30	...
Mixed P	£480.20	...	+1.10	...
Index Stock P	£233.90	...	+1.20	...
International P	£298.90	...	+3.50	...
LONDON & MANCHESTER ASSURANCE Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS. 0392 282456				
Inv Trust Cap	£545.40	...	+1.40	...
-do- Acc	£857.60	...	+2.60	...
Property Cap	£156.40	...	...	...
-do- Acc	£238.30	...	+0.30	...
Fxd Interest Cap	£300.80	...	+1.80	...
-do- Acc	£306.60	...	+2.90	...
Equity Cap	£297.30	...	-1.00	...
-do- Acc	£458.90	...	-1.20	...
Internatl Cap	£224.90	...	+1.90	...
-do- Acc	£343.80	...	+3.10	...
Gtd Deposit Cap	£169.80	...	-0.10	...
-do- Acc	£256.60	...	+0.10	...
Flexible Cap	£329.30	...	+0.30	...
-do- Acc	£507.20	...	+0.90	...
Moneymaker Fd	£399.50	...	+0.40	...
Capital Growth	£1466.0	...	-0.80	...
M & G Victoria Road, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1FB 0245 266266				
Amer Bond Acc	390.90	410.50	+3.10	...
Amer Rec Bond	450.70	473.40	+5.30	...
Am Smlr Cos Bd	224.10	235.30	+6.40	...
Australasia Bd	201.10	211.30	+3.50	...
Commodity Bond	257.10	270.10	+1.80	...
Deposit Bond Acc	346.50	363.90	-0.20	...
Equity Bond Acc	1291.1	1355.8	-4.70	...
European Bd Acc	307.40	322.70	-1.50	...
Extra Yld Bd Acc	636.40	668.30	+1.30	...
Far East Bd Acc	271.20	284.90	+2.10	...
Gilt Bond Acc	421.70	442.90	+5.20	...
Gold Bond Acc	150.90	158.50	-4.20	...
High Yield Bond	315.50	331.40	+0.90	4.16
Index-Lnk Gi Bd	202.50	212.80	+1.00	...
International Bd	682.00	716.20	+9.50	...
Japan Bond Acc	281.50	295.70	+10.70	...
Japan Sm Cos Ac	254.60	267.50	+7.20	...
Managed Bonds	782.80	822.20	+3.10	...
Prop Bond Acc	299.70	314.80	+0.30	...
Rec Bond Acc	662.90	696.20	+1.30	...
MGM ASSURANCE MGM House, Heene Road, Worthing BN11 2DY. 0903 204631				
UK Equity	206.10	217.00	-1.40	...
UK Equity Acc	276.90	291.50	-1.70	...
Special Sits	86.00	90.60	-0.60	...
Special Sits Acc	115.60	121.70	-0.80	...
North American	179.90	189.30	+1.00	...
N American Acc	241.70	254.50	+1.70	...
Pacific Basin	341.60	359.60	+3.10	...
Pacific Basin Acc	459.10	483.30	+4.60	...
Fixed Interest	287.90	303.10	+2.30	...
Fixed Interest Acc	387.40	407.80	+3.30	...
Property	152.40	160.50	-0.20	...
Property Acc	205.10	215.90	...	...
Deposit	151.80	159.80	...	...
Deposit Acc	204.70	215.50	+0.20	...
Managed	239.90	252.60	-0.20	...
Managed Acc	297.20	312.90	...	...
MANULIFE GROUP St Georges Way, Stevenage, Herts 0438 356101				
Managed Fund	637.90	671.50	+1.70	...
Property Fund	476.70	501.80	+0.70	...
Equity Fund	776.40	817.30	-2.70	...
Gilt Edged Fd	582.20	612.80	+3.00	...
Deposit Fund	316.00	332.60	+0.20	...
Investment Fd	328.10	344.50	-1.20	...
International	532.70	560.70	+8.00	...
MERCHANT INVESTORS 91 Wimpole Street, London W1M 7DA Admin: 0272 264366 Prices: 081 789 2945 or 0272 752297				
Property	394.40	415.10	+0.50	...
Equity Bond	305.80	321.80	-0.20	...
Money Mrkt Bd	526.10	553.70	+5.00	...
Deposit Fund	362.50	381.50	+0.30	...
Managed Fund	431.10	453.70	+1.10	...
Intl Equity	516.50	543.60	+4.40	...
Intl Managed	482.40	507.70	+2.70	...
North American	201.60	212.20	+1.10	...
Far East	388.90	409.30	+2.30	...
Intl Currency	258.90	272.50	+0.70	...
NM LIFE ASSURANCE Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
Equity	131.60	138.50	-0.30	...
Fixed Interest	519.10	546.40	+4.10	...
Managed	631.40	664.60	-1.20	...
Deposit	324.00	341.00	...	...
Property	375.30	395.00	+0.70	...
American	396.60	417.40	+10.20	...
Australian	459.90	484.10	-13.70	...
European	462.70	487.00	+0.80	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	251.30	264.50	+1.20	...
Global Managed	128.00	134.70	-0.20	...
Income Acc	700.00	736.80	+9.60	...
-do- Dist	436.30	459.20	+8.10	5.15
International	296.40	312.00	+9.40	...
Japan Smaller	510.90	537.70	-13.70	...
Singapore & Mal	293.70	309.10	-7.10	...
Smaller Cos	345.20	363.30	-1.90	...
Tokyo Fund	691.20	727.50	+26.80	...
UK Equity	534.40	562.50	-3.80	...
CCM Vangd Mg	665.70	700.70	+2.10	...
Equity Pens Cap	884.40	930.90	-4.40	...
NPI 48 Gracechurch Street, London EC3P 3HH 071 623 4200				
Managed	426.30	448.80	-1.90	...
UK Equity	521.10	548.60	-5.20	...
Overseas Equity	431.20	453.90	-1.20	...
Americas	393.90	414.70	+1.50	...
Far East	476.10	501.20	+8.70	...
Property	197.30	208.20	+0.70	...
Fixed Interest	348.40	363.60	+1.50	...
Indexed Gilt	219.80	231.40	+1.00	...
Deposit	206.70	217.60	+0.10	...
NORWICH UNION LIFE INSURANCE SOCIETY - Ex NUAM Funds PO Box 148, Norwich NR3 1PP 0603 622200				
Managed Fund	1236.9	1302.0	-2.90	...
Eqty Fund	2652.2	2791.8	-20.70	...
Property Fd	451.20	474.90	+1.40	...
Fixed Int Fd	571.50	601.60	+3.30	...
Deposit Fund	331.00	348.40	+0.30	...
Intl Fund	214.40	225.70	+0.90	...
PEARL ASSURANCE Pearl House, Thorpe Wood, Peterborough PE3 6SA. 0733 63212				
Inv Prop Dist	142.50	150.00	+0.20	...
Prop Acc (Gross)	271.20	285.50	+0.30	...
Inv Equity	1060.0	1115.8	-6.40	...
Inv Managed	747.20	786.60	+0.40	...
Ret Managed	826.40	869.90	+2.80	...
PROLIFIC LIFE & PENSIONS LTD Stramongate, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 4UB 0539 733733				
Bal Gwth Mngd	708.10	753.30	-0.90	...
Cash Fund	323.50	340.90	+0.20	...
Property Fund	222.30	236.50	+2.50	...
Equity Fund	819.30	871.60	-0.60	...
Fxd Interest Fund	433.90	457.30	+1.80	...
International	366.50	389.90	-1.00	...
High Income	634.40	674.90	-2.90	...
Far East	506.20	538.60	+3.60	...
North American	496.60	528.30	-2.70	...
Special Sits	568.00	604.30	-3.10	...
Technology	474.90	505.30	+7.40	...
Extra Income Fd	339.10	360.80	-1.50	...
Gilt Fund	459.20	488.60	-1.70	...
European	131.80	140.30	-0.20	...
Adventurous Mg	188.60	198.60	+0.40	...
Secure Mgd	133.10	141.70	...	...
Equity Inc Dist	110.90	118.00	-0.30	4.72
North American	105.90	112.70	-0.10	5.35
PROVIDENCE CAPITOL 2 Bartley Way, Hook, Hants RG27 9XA 0256 768888				
Equity Fund Acc	264.50	279.10	-2.40	...
Fxd Interest Acc	226.30	238.80	-0.20	...
International Acc	240.60	253.80	-0.80	...
Managed Acc	201.00	212.00	-0.50	...
Property Acc	221.10	233.30	-0.10	...
Money Acc	147.40	155.50	+0.10	...
Spec Mkt Acc	200.30	211.30	...	...
Japan Equity Acc	130.10	137.30	+3.80	...
N Amer Acc	157.00	165.70	+2.40	...
Pacific Acc	144.10	152.10	+0.10	...
European Acc	138.10	145.70	+2.20	...
PROVIDENT MUTUAL William Road, Hitchin, Herts SG4 0LP 0438 736000				
Managed Ord	419.90	442.00	...	...
Managed Initial	296.20	311.80	-0.20	...
Equity Ord	620.90	653.60	-2.90	...
Equity Init	438.00	461.10	-2.40	...
I-Linked Gilt Ord	197.20	207.60	+0.90	...
I-Linked Gilt Init	145.30	152.90	+0.50	...
Oseas Equity Ord	343.40	361.50	+2.30	...
Oseas Equity Init	242.20	254.90	+1.40	...
Property Ord	229.20	241.30	+0.20	...
Property Init	161.70	170.20	+0.10	...
Fixed Int Ord	268.60	282.70	+1.90	...
Fixed Int Init	189.50	199.50	+1.30	...
Deposit Ord	197.20	207.60	+0.10	...
Deposit Initial	139.10	146.40	...	...
PRUDENTIAL Holborn Bars, London EC1N 2NH 071 405 9222				
Managed	300.90	316.60	+0.80	...
PRUDENTIAL INDIVIDUAL LIFE FUNDS 1 Stephen Street, London W1P 2AP 071 548 3228				
Managed Fund	673.90	709.40	-3.20	...
Equity Fund	1294.9	1363.1	-17.50	...
Intl Fund	535.90	564.20	+4.10	...
Fixed Interest	556.10	585.40	+4.90	...
Property Fund	376.70	396.60	+0.40	...
Cash Fund	349.90	368.40	+0.20	...
Pacific Basin	301.20	317.10	+1.70	...
N American Fd	218.10	229.60	+2.00	...
Euro Fund	226.10	238.00	+0.10	...
Balanced Fund	135.90	143.10	-0.70	...
Strategic Fund	140.60	148.00	-0.10	...
ROYAL HERITAGE LIFE ASSURANCE Peterborough Business Park, Peterborough PE2 6GG. 0733 390000				
Mult Grow (45)	£662.00	...	...	...
-do- Acc	424.00	446.30	...	...
Op Prop	416.20	438.20	...	...
Op Equity	874.30	920.40	-9.00	...
Op High Yield	549.20	578.20	+4.80	...
Op Managed	742.80	781.90	-2.70	...
Op Deposit	375.60	395.40	...	...
Amer Smaller	...	...	...	...
Extra Inc	...	...	...	...
Gold Gen	...	...	...	...
Inc Gth	287.00	302.30	-0.80	...
Japan Perf	...	...	...	...
Japan Smlr	254.60	268.00	+7.30	...
Natl High	...	...	...	...
Prop Sits	...	...	...	...
Managed Gth	235.80	248.30	+0.60	...
Gilt	79.20	83.40	+0.80	...
Amer (35.34)	...	...	...	...
British	339.40	357.30	+0.60	...
Global Bond	116.90	123.10	+0.30	...
Global (35.34)	159.50	167.90	+6.30	...
Gold Share	76.60	80.70	+1.50	...
High Income	276.20	290.80	-1.80	...
Income	396.50	417.40	-4.00	...
Japan	441.20	464.50	+14.90	...
UK Smlr Cos	292.30	307.70	-5.80	...
Mngd Growth	412.60	434.40	-0.80	...
ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051 239 3000				
Royal Shield Fd	878.80	929.90	+1.70	...
Royal Life Unit Linked				
Managed Fund	351.50	370.00	+0.70	...
Equity Fund	470.90	495.60	-1.60	...
Property Fund	254.20	267.50	...	...
International	424.60	446.90	+3.50	...
Pacific Basin	272.60	286.90	+6.20	...
United States	223.20	234.90	+0.70	...
Gilt Fund	342.90	360.90	+2.20	...
SAVE & PROSPER 16-22 Western Road, Romford, Essex RM1 3LB. 0708 766966				
Bal Inv Fund	675.10	714.40	-0.20	...
Deposit Fund (2)	351.60	372.10	+0.20	...
Gilt Fund	491.60	520.30	+4.50	...
Global Equity Fd	208.80	221.00	+1.20	...
Property Fund (46)	89.40	94.70	...	...
AG Bond Fund	138.70	146.80	-0.80	...
SCOTTISH AMICABLE 150 St Vincent Street, Glasgow 041 248 2323				
Equity	506.70	533.40	-0.60	...
Fixed Interest	349.10	367.50	+1.10	...
Index-Linked	189.60	199.60	+1.30	...
International	409.70	421.30	-5.40	...
Property	243.20	256.00	-0.60	...
Cash	220.70	232.40	+0.10	...
Managed	408.80	430.40	+0.80	...
Cap Gteed Bd	98.80	104.00	-0.90	...
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE 28 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YF 031 556 9101				
Cash	173.16	182.27	+0.15	...
Index-Linked	154.30	162.40	+1.00	...
Fixed Interest	173.80	182.90	+1.10	...
Mixed	229.60	241.70	+1.30	...
UK Equity	214.50	225.80	-0.60	...
International	232.30	244.60	+2.00	...
American	239.60	252.20	+0.10	...
Japan	250.70	263.90	+8.20	...
European	214.80	226.10	-0.80	...
Pacific	323.70	340.70	+3.30	...
Technology	306.80	323.00	+3.60	...
Currncy/Currncy	224.00	235.80	+1.30	...
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YE 031 225 2211				
Property	177.80	187.30	+1.50	...
UK Equity	315.30	331.90	-2.30	...
American	237.20	249.80	+0.30	...
Pacific	316.70	333.50	+5.70	...
European	405.40	426.80	-1.10	...
International	278.40	293.20	+1.20	...
Fixed Interest	233.70	246.10	+1.60	...
Index Linked	190.00	200.10	+0.60	...
Deposit	185.40	195.20	+0.10	...
Managed	255.30	269.00	-0.50	...
Worldwide	111.60	117.60	-0.40	...
Pen Worldwide	116.60	122.90	-0.50	...
SCOTTISH MUTUAL ASSURANCE 109 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6321				
Flex Fund (35)	1491.9	1537.9	+17.20	...
Safety Fund	220.50	232.20	+1.20	...
Growth Fund	208.30	219.30	+0.30	...
Opportunity Fd	205.30	216.20	-0.20	...
Cash Fund	167.00	175.80	+0.20	...
European Fund	301.80	317.70	-2.00	...
Gilts & Fxd Int	188.40	198.40	+1.10	...
Index-Linked Fd	177.20	186.60	+1.20	...
International Fd	261.60	275.40	+0.10	...
North American	230.80	243.00	+1.10	...
Property Fund	116.80	123.00	+0.20	...
UK Equity	217.00	228.50	-0.40	...
UK Smaller	201.30	211.90	+0.70	...
SCOTTISH PROVIDENT 6 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 556 9181				
Mixed	240.10	252.80	+0.10	...
Equity	253.40	266.90	-0.80	...
International	251.60	264.90	-1.20	...
Property	196.40	206.80	+0.20	...
Fixed Interest	211.00	222.20	+0.60	...
Index Linked	174.60	183.90	+0.90	...
Cash	179.60	189.20	+0.10	...
SCOTTISH WIDOWS PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031 655 6000				
Inv Pol 1	847.20	847.20	-2.70	...
Inv Pol 2	772.60	813.30	-2.40	...
Inv Pol 3	743.50	782.70	-2.90	...
Inv Cash	299.40	315.20	+0.30	...
Mixed Fund	407.80	429.40	+0.40	...
Equity Fund	474.20	499.20	-1.70	...
Property Fund	205.40	216.30	-0.20	...
International Fd	434.50	457.40	+3.20	...
Fixed Interest Fd	356.20	375.00	+2.90	...
Indexed Stock Fd	192.40	202.60	+0.40	...
Cash Fund	217.80	229.40	+0.20	...
SKANDIA LIFE Skandia House, Portland Terrace, Southampton SO9 7BX 0703 334411				
Managed Acc	337.80	355.50	+0.90	...
Equity Acc	379.20	399.10	-0.60	...
International Acc	317.20	333.80	+3.10	...
Property	207.30	218.10	+0.30	...
Royal Trust Mg	215.70	227.00	+0.30	...
STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO 3 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031 225 2552				
Cash	257.50	271.30	+0.20	...
Equity	880.30	926.70	-6.00	...
European	145.00	152.70	+0.50	...
Far East	154.10	162.30	+1.30	...
Fixed Interest	380.80	400.90	+2.60	...
Index Linked	200.00	210.60	+1.10	...
International	556.40	585.70	+3.00	...
Managed	624.30	657.20	-1.70	...
Nth American	141.40	148.90	+0.10	...
Property	310.40	326.80	+0.40	...
Pensions				
Cash	395.20	416.00	+0.40	...
Equity	1243.1	1308.6	-7.80	...
European	171.50	180.60	+1.00	...
Far East	121.40	127.80	+1.30	...
Fixed Interest	508.40	535.20	+3.80	...
Index Linked	277.00	291.60	+1.40	...
International	775.70	816.60	+5.40	...
Managed	860.90	906.30	-1.30	...
Nth American	176.60	185.90	+0.10	...
Property	393.50	414.30	+1.00	...
Stock Exchange	194.50	204.80	-0.30	...
SUN ALLIANCE St Mark's Court, Horsham, Sussex 0403 232323				
Managed Fund	583.20	613.90	+0.20	...
Equity Fund	768.20	808.70	-5.60	...
Fixed Interest Fd	401.40	422.60	+3.20	...
Index-Linked Fd	294.90	310.50	+1.30	...
Property Fund	421.50	443.70	+0.70	...
International Fd	571.90	602.00	+6.30	...
N American Fd	223.50	235.30	+4.90	...
Far East Fund	198.50	209.00	+1.20	...
Deposit Fund	281.80	296.80	+0.20	...
International Bd	£176.34	...	+1.58	...
Worldwide Bond	160.80	169.30	-0.60	...
Worldwide Fincl	79.00	83.20	+0.10	...
Worldwide Tech	93.90	98.90	+0.10	...
European	140.00	147.40	+0.20	...
Phoenix Assurance				
Wealth Assured	572.80	603.00	+5.20	...
Ebor Phoenix Eq	422.20	456.20	...	...
Property Growth				
Property Fund	£482.10	...	+1.00	...
-do- Acc	£452.20	...	+0.90	...
Agricultural Fd	£761.60	...	+0.60	...
-do- Acc	£731.70	...	+0.60	...
Abbey Nat Fd	£383.60	...	+0.50	...
Abbey Nat Acc	£407.40	...	+0.90	...
Investment Fd	£308.40	...	+0.20	...
Investment (A)	£306.60	...	+0.10	...
Equity	£1110.2	...	-7.70	...
Equity Acc	£1066.3	...	-7.60	...
Money Fund	£446.60	...	+0.40	...
-do- Acc	£428.20	...	+0.40	...
Actuarial Fd	£525.00	...	-0.10	...
Gilt-Edged Fd	£374.40	...	+2.80	...
-do- Acc	£374.40	...	+2.80	...
Retire Annuity	£1002.0	...	...	...
Immed Annuity	£299.00	...	...	...
Bldg Soc Life	£216.10	...	+0.10	...
SUN LIFE OF CANADA Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ Dealing: 0256 841414				
Growth Account	£1280.5	...	-21.30	...
Managed Acc	£755.40	...	-1.10	...
Equity Account	£1058.7	...	-9.20	...
Mngd Fund Acc	350.10	368.50	-0.60	...
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High street hard sell continues



COMMENT

LINDSAY COOK
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Codes of practice come and go but customer complaints about banks go on forever. Or so it seems. The banking code of practice, which came into force in March last year, is daily being circumvented by the banks. Customers still get the hard sell for investment products they do not want, from salesmen who, they fear, know too much about their personal circumstances.

Many customers wrote to protest when they felt that breaching confidentiality was going to be enshrined in the banking code. As a result, the code was amended. Information cannot be passed from a branch to every other part of an extensive banking corporation to give warm leads for sales.

So, as the Office of Fair Trading noted this week, investment salesmen were attached to the branches. In the eyes of the banks, there is no breach of confidentiality. Customers see it differently.

They do not like it when they get a letter from the bank manager they have to see for a loan, or to apologise to for an unplanned overdraft, asking them to see a financial planning consultant to discuss "protection for you and your family". They worry that next time they want a favour from the bank, they will be refused if they do not co-operate. Banks may dismiss this notion but many customers are still afraid of their bank managers, even if these no longer have the oak panelled rooms and standing of yesteryear.

A letter sent out this week from a Midland branch (but it could be any bank), insists that an enclosed questionnaire is filled in and ends with the message that the bank manager will be "calling you during the next few days to discuss a convenient appointment date".

This is better than a letter from another bank that was sent, before the code was implemented, to a widow. This stated that the bank's financial adviser would call at her home on Wednesday at a certain time, unless she telephoned to say it was inconvenient.

Most bank customers feel a little uneasy when they receive calls from their bank managers at home or, worse, at work. Having to say "no" comes even harder. It reminds me of the disreputable share trader — long out of business — who once confided to me that he employed a lot of women because men found it difficult to put the telephone down on them. That must apply even more to bank managers. It is an exceptional man or woman who dares to put down the telephone on the bank manager.

Technically, the banks have to ask customers' express consent before handing on information but only Lloyds, of the big four, does so directly. The other three resort to the tactics of the more dubious purveyors of insurance. If customers do not tick the box saying they do not want their personal details handed out willy nilly to anyone in the organisation with a product to sell, anything goes.

Customers can no longer politely evade the salesman with the usual British comment: "I am sure it is excellent value but I cannot afford it." Or even: "I already have a similar policy." They do not know how much information has been handed over. A bank statement could be pulled out of the salesman's briefcase, or details called up on his laptop of their monthly salary cheques, savings on deposit and even direct debits, so that their lies will be found out.

They can say only: "I do not like the policy/your company's investment performance/the charges/the cut of your jib/the investment strategy being proposed." This comes hard. Years of experience in the industry will be weighed against their inadequate defences.

But why, the banks retort, should everyone in the world be able to beat a path to the doors of their customers, whom they cosset, and they themselves be denied access? They list all the insurance policies and investments that customers have been sold, and for which they are grateful.

The adage that insurance is sold, not bought, is a familiar one. However, this is not always the case with reputable firms. A colleague tells me of the Friends' Provident salesman he invited to his home, since he intended to buy a pension plan. The salesman refused to talk business without writing to the company pension scheme to find out what was on offer for the potential customer. He said this was likely to be a much better deal for him and his family.

Codes are meant to be broken, might be another adage doing the rounds of the banks. The banking code is being reviewed and the banks might do well to adhere to the spirit of it and think back to the days when John Major, as Chancellor, threatened them with legislation if they could not make a voluntary code work. It would certainly be a vote winner.

Banks step up campaign to win young customers



STEPHEN MARKESON

Lots of goodies: schoolgirls Victoria Banks, far left, Jessica Aldcroft, Helen Nutton and Verity Scott are more than happy to accept the banks' largesse

End of the school year heralds start of new wave of promotions, Sara McConnell reports

PROMOTIONS from banks offering record vouchers, discounts, clothes and cameras to children opening accounts are reaching their height as the latest batch of school leavers finishes its last term. Banks say the end of the school year is one of their busiest times, with 16 to 18 year-olds starting jobs, or training courses, and looking for the best deal.

National Westminster, which is one bank planning an advertising campaign to attract school leavers, said: "It is like everyone going for new car registrations. This time of year sees the heaviest concentration of young adults opening accounts and there will be a lot of marketing activity over the next three months."

Teenagers starting their first job are not likely to be big moneyspinners for the banks. Both children's and young people's accounts are loss leaders and banks know they will have to wait a long time before they take out large loans or long-term savings policies. But all the high street institutions know that once people have opened an account, they will seldom move unless they are very unhappy with the service.

Ian Hall, TSB's youth marketing manager, said: "Banks and building societies invest a lot of money in this market." About six out of ten adult TSB customers have opened accounts as children and have stayed with the bank, said Mr Hall. The latest financial research survey from NOP Market Research shows that only 600,000 people moved their bank or building society current account to another institution in the six months to March this year. An estimated 32 million adults over 16 have current accounts.

John Cheese, Barclays' personal sector marketing director, said: "It is statistically more likely that people will get divorced than change their bank account." Customer inertia was the main reason for this inactivity, said Mr Cheese. Many adults continue with their bank because they have become encumbered with direct debits and standing orders which they cannot face moving. Younger bank customers are not so inert. All banks have some first-time customers who open accounts wherever the "bribes" look tempting, then immediately withdraw all but the minimum balance. Some banks have now spread the special offers over several months.

Record vouchers clothes and cameras thrown into the fight

TSB's interest cheque account for 16-20 year olds, for instance, comes with four MGM Cannon cinema tickets and six 10 per cent Champion sport discount vouchers. They also get six special offers spread over six months, including discount vouchers and a free driving lesson.

Those who stay with TSB also benefit from new offers every six months. Mr Hall said: "We want to make sure they don't just put £1 in and leave. We use the offer to get their attention. We need to create a relationship."

Cinema tickets and vouchers for sports shops were what tempted Mark McDonald, 16, of Newcastle. He opened his account in April before starting a part-time job at Tesco at Easter, while doing his GCSEs, because of the free gifts. He admitted that he would not have gone for TSB unless it had such offers, although the bank did sponsor his work football club. Sponsorship of this sort, as well as going into schools and colleges and talking about saving and handling money, are useful opportunities for banks to carry out what they see as an educating mission. They know they have to target younger children as well as those about to leave school, as children become savers well before they finish school. Barclays has speakers who visit schools and has a scheme whereby children can run their own banks. Like other banks, it has a club for 11-16 year olds with BarclayPlus accounts, with its own magazine as well as a £10 Our Price voucher. Customers are offered another voucher every six months. The bank said: "Children are interested in freebies and magazines."

A straw poll carried out for *The Times* among the first, second and third years at Newport High School for girls in Newport, Shropshire, found that typical responses to the question of why they had chosen a certain bank included: "Because of the bribes" and "I liked the magazine". The majority of the girls questioned had been encouraged to save by their parents. Of the 11-12 year olds in year seven (first year) 14 out of 32 had bank accounts, while in year eight (second year), 20 out of 32 had them. By year nine (third year), a savings account was *de rigueur*.

Britannia building society has attracted at least one recruit from Newport High. Helen Nutton, 12, who chose the society two years ago when it visited her primary school. Added attractions were torches and money boxes. Helen earns £1.50 a week pocket money and thinks she has saved up £175. Verity Scott, also 12, has £1.50 a week pocket money, too, but this goes into a Halifax account. Every three months, her grandfather gives her £5. Victoria Banks, 13, feels slightly guilty about being tempted by the camera offered by Lloyds bank on its Headway account. She said: "It seems a bit of a trivial reason. But there seemed to be little difference between the accounts, so I thought I might as well go for the trivial things." Victoria gets £10 a month plus £20 for clothes and this, together with money from birthdays and Christmas, goes into the account. There is now about £150 in the account. But because she is older she also has a cashpoint card, closely supervised by her mother.

NatWest attracted Jessica Aldcroft's custom with its World Savers' Account, which donates a percentage of the savings to the World Wildlife Fund. But now the account is being wound down in favour of the First Reserve account, which gives a better rate of interest.

Jessica is intending to look for another account in which to save her £5 a week pocket money and birthday presents. Banks cannot always rely on catching their customers young.

Special deals to net the graduate

BANKS are stepping up their efforts to prise away their rivals' graduate customers (Sara McConnell writes). Lloyds is the latest to offer inducements such as free banking and overdrafts at preferential rates to non customers who have just graduated. Lloyds said: "We have always been happy for graduates to join us, but we haven't gone out to woo graduates in the same way as this year."

For the first time, Lloyds is offering graduates free banking, even if they are more than £100 overdrawn, for 18 months after graduation.

They will also be able to open an interest bearing current account with an agreed overdraft, which is free if they are not more than £100 overdrawn. If they are, the rate is 19.5 per cent APR.

Graduates will also be offered a three in one £100 cheque guarantee, cashpoint and debit card and a loan of between £500 and £3,000, repayable over six months-to-three years at 14 per cent APR. Those who are not Lloyds customers will be able to open an account from this week, when details are available in branches.

The bank is also planning an advertising campaign for the account. Those who are already customers can continue with their existing student deal until December, then change automatically to the graduate account. The student deal includes an interest-free overdraft of £400 for the whole period of study, reduced interest on overdrafts of more than this, free banking and a three in one cashpoint card, debit card and £100 cheque guarantee card.

Barclays launched a similar play for graduates in March, with special student interest rates on authorised overdrafts of 1 per cent over base rate for 12 months.

Graduates with a firm job offer are offered a loan of up to £3,000 to buy clothes, pay rent and cover other expenses. The rate is 2.5 per cent over base (APR 8.7 per cent) and there is a delay of three months before repayments start. The loan has a maximum term of two years and is available up to six months after leaving university.

Barclays said: "All the banks are extremely competitive. Students are tomorrow's high earners. We don't make any money out of students, but they are a long term commitment."

The bank said that recent indepedent research carried out by the National Union of Students on Barclays' behalf showed that 64 per cent of students said they would stay with Barclays.

NatWest, which has the biggest share of the first degree student market, at 40 per ent of new student accounts last year, has this week launched its student package for undergraduates starting this year.

Students qualify for a free overdraft of £400 in the first two years, rising to £500 in the final year, with preferential rates for overdrafts larger than this. They also get free banking and earn 2 per cent on credit balances, a free Eurocheque card for the first year and commission-free travellers cheques.

David Powell, NatWest's director of personal financial services, said 84 per cent of students stay with NatWest after graduating.

The major banks are keen to stress how many students stay with them after graduation. Not all banks, however, think the cost and effort of marketing to students is worth it. Girobank said: "We don't target the student market. People tend to follow the best deals. Targeting students is a bit of a waste of time".

Discounts galore for customer loyalty

IN the heady days of rising house prices and a never-ending supply of new mortgage customers, building societies and banks appeared to compete with each other to give new borrowers better deals and seemed to forget the existing borrowers (Lindsay Cook writes).

Now that has changed. Loyalty bonuses and special offers are being made to existing customers who move house and remain with the same lender. Fixed rate mortgages, once the preserve of people buying a new property or even the first time buyer, are now available to existing borrowers who do not want to move house but want certainty of payments for the next two, three or five years. Abbey National, for example, offers existing customers who stay with the bank when they move house £200 towards their legal costs, plus a free valuation. Together these are worth up to £520. Last year Abbey broke new ground when it offered all existing borrowers a chance to move onto a fixed rate mortgage.

The reason behind the special deals is not only the lack of new home buyers in a still dormant housing market. Lenders are also recognising the cost of getting new customers on board and the fact that they are often losing them just as they become most profitable.

The banks are successfully poaching customers from building societies, and the centralised mortgage lenders, such as the Household Mortgage Corporation, are back in the mortgage market now that interest rates have come down. Societies are fighting back with loyalty discounts. Bristol & West began with a Cascade mortgage, that was only offered to existing borrowers. This offered a guaranteed reduction every quarter for 18 months. National & Provincial offers a £150 cashback scheme to any customer of at least two months' standing who takes out a mortgage. Such schemes obviously work. Abbey National belives that 70 per cent to 75 per cent of mortgage customers now stay with the bank. Before the loyalty bonus, it was close to 40 per cent.

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Radical plans for employers to fund private pensions for all

Getting enough to live on for life

BY SARA MCCONNELL

RADICAL proposals published this week would force all employers to pay at least 6 per cent of their employees' gross salary into a private pension scheme, leaving employers with the prime responsibility for ensuring that people have enough to live on when they retire.

This compulsory contribution, plus a further statutory minimum 4 per cent contribution from all employees, would guarantee a private pension for everyone. These would be phased in over the next 20 years.

Outlining his proposals for a system of universal private pension provision in a Fabian discussion paper, Frank Field, the Labour MP and chairman of the Commons select committee on social services, said the suggested contribution level of 10 per cent of gross pay sounded large. However, many employers were already putting money into final salary company pensions for their workers, as well as paying national insurance contributions on their behalf which go partly towards funding existing state pension arrangements. Typically, employers contribute between 8 per cent and 10 per cent of salary to an employee's scheme. Added to this, 3 per cent of an employee's national insurance payment goes to fund a state pension. Those not working because they are unemployed, disabled or caring for children or other relatives, would have contributions of between 3 per cent and 6 per cent paid into their private pension by the state.

The retirement earnings of the unemployed, said Mr Field, must not be "decimated because the government has used them as a weapon against inflation. This means contributions being made by the government at the same level that they enjoyed when in work".

The paper calculates that it would cost the state £2.3 billion a year to fund the 6 per cent contributions of non-working parents with children under four and carers receiving invalidity care allowance. A further £1.7 billion from the state would fund a 3 per cent contribution for part-time carers, and non-working parents with children between four and 12. Contributions for the unemployed and the disabled would cost £2.9 billion and £100,000 respectively. The total would be £7 billion a year. Added to this private pension provision would be a guaranteed minimum pension, similar to today's basic state pension, except that it would be means tested. The paper says that "staggered levies" would be applied so that "the most affluent pensioners would lose a very large part of their entitlement". The cost of introducing this in 2010, when many people would already have private pension schemes, would be £31 billion, £4 billion less than the projected cost of the existing state pension.


Field: doing the sums

The paper also called for the repeal of all the complex tax breaks which have been added to pensions over the years to give people an incentive to make provision.

Tax breaks due for the axe, suggests Mr Field, include the tax-free lump sum taken as part of a pension and pension funds' tax exempt status, which allows income and capital gains to roll up tax free within the fund. These together cost the Treasury £9.5 billion a year, according to Inland Revenue estimates. Special arrangements for the taxation of pension funds account for two-thirds of all pension legislation.

Abolishing tax breaks is certain to upset pension providers, particularly insurance companies selling personal pensions, because pensions' present tax efficiency is a major selling point. The industry remains convinced that people need what one provider called "a fair degree of encouragement" to provide for their own retirement.

Roger Key, a partner at R. Watson, the firm of consulting actuaries, said: "Without some sort of fiscal encouragement the amount of saving for retirement is likely to be insufficient." Providers gave a cautious welcome to the paper, particularly to the idea of compulsory pension contributions into private schemes. However, past experience has shown that those using personal pensions to contract out of the existing state earnings related pension scheme (SERPs) have been proportionately harder hit with charges because they do not put enough into their schemes.

Cloud over holiday health cover


Health comes first: holiday cover has its pitfalls

HOLIDAYMAKERS will have difficulty making medical insurance claims this year if they fail to disclose their health history first. Previously insurance companies have paid if a prior illness flares up while a holidaymaker is abroad, provided they are not taking medication when the insurance is bought (Margaret Dibben writes).

Now the companies are tightening up. Alan Cousins, general manager, overseas operations of Europ Assistance, said: "If you haven't declared a health problem in advance they are being very much less generous than they were two years ago." Once you have declared your complaint and the insurance company accepts the risk, a claim will be paid. But if you do not, said Mr Cousins, "there will be a lot more argument." Martin Mills, business manager of Home & Overseas, explained: "A stable pre-existing condition is not a problem, but we expect people to be sensible and we reserve the right to get in touch with your GP if you have a medical claim." Older people, who make the largest medical claims, already find it increasingly expensive to buy holiday insurance. Some travel policies, particularly the increasingly popular annual policies, refuse to insure them at all.

Abbey National's annual travel insurance costs £125 a year for a family, including common-law spouses and up to three children under 18, but excludes anyone in the family aged over 65. Mr Cousins explained: "An elderly person is twice as likely to have a claim — and their claims are on average six to ten times bigger. Even worse, in the States, the cost of claims can be five times more than in other parts of the world."

Some companies have started charging double for people over 65 or 70 going on long haul, or long stay, holidays. Mr Cousins added: "By the end of this year at least a third of the market will have a differential for 65-plus and by the end of next year 95 per cent will. The elderly are going to find it increasingly difficult to get travel cover, and the method of selling travel insurance to the elderly is going to change. At present, it is sold through travel agents, brokers and through brochures. With differentials, this changes and it will be underwritten specifically. Insurers will start asking medical questions and introduce weightings for medical conditions as well as age." However, the level of medical insurance provided with travel policies is vastly more than necessary. Most policies include £1 million or £2 million of medical expenses and a few have unlimited cover, but claims rarely reach £500,000. The most paid out by Home & Overseas, which provides insurance packages for Barclays, Midland, Firstdirect, Abbey National and the Leeds, was £300,000. This was for an elderly woman who became ill on a cruise ship and was taken off in Hongkong where she was kept on a life-support machine.

Those who get value are the 55 to 65-year-olds, who are just as likely to make expensive claims but, because of market forces, do not face an age weighting.

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Sounding a worrying note

From Mr Terry Lewis

Sir, An article in Weekend Money (July 10), "Fake bank notes on the run" states that the police and the Bank of England agree that "No forger has yet come up with the perfect, undetectable counterfeit banknote."

How would they know?

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Bringing relief to unnecessary fears of double taxation

From Keith F. C. Baker

Sir, In your article ("If you've got it . . ", Weekend Money, July 3) you made numerous references to the taxation of individuals in France and in particular you referred to a publication *The Guide to Living in France*.

Firstly I must declare an interest because I have written a work, *Buying and Selling a Residence in France*, just published by Tolley. The target audience is slightly different, as the two titles would suggest, but there are overlapping areas.

What you reported of the contents of that book is correct as far as it goes, in that it described the domestic or internal taxing rules of France and the United Kingdom.

Your article may, however, have given readers the impression either that individuals might be taxed by both countries on the same income, or alternatively that they might be taxed on a basis of deemed or notional income, based upon a principle of apparent means, implying concealment of either capital or income from the French revenue. Fraudsters cannot expect to be sheltered from investigation, but sensible and equitable reliefs are available to honest citizens.

It is therefore regrettable that your article made no reference to the existence of the double taxation treaty between France and the United Kingdom, which is specifically designed to ensure that an individual cannot be tax resident in both countries at the same time and which further provides for relief against the double taxation of income.

Furthermore, there is an express provision in the treaty which prevents a United Kingdom resident from being subjected to French tax on deemed income.

A separate treaty governs relief from double taxation of inheritance. Since double tax treaty provisions override domestic tax law, the provisions of the Treaties are consequently more relevant than purely internal rules.

Yours faithfully,
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Bank ombudsman found wanting

From Mr Robert Breckman

Sir, Having complained to the banking ombudsman about the appalling service of my bank and their derisory contribution as compensation for my costs, I have been informed by him that "he cannot instruct a bank to apologise to a customer, to change its practices or procedures, or provide explanations of its acts or omissions," and "takes the view that a customer should be reasonably robust and be prepared to deal with the consequences of minor bank difficulties and errors, which unfortunately occur from time to time, without seeking to recover compensation."

It seems quite obvious that the ombudsman protects the banks more than it does its customers, which is surely not what it was set up for.

Yours faithfully,
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NatWest passbook fails ultimate customer test

Sara McConnell reports on how a 14-year-old account caused a rumpus

NATWEST Bank has told a couple that a 14-year-old bank passbook showing savings of £1,100 is not sufficient evidence that the money is actually there, and that they have no right to it. The bank claims it has no record of the account and it must have been closed.

But Gurmit and Rajinder Hunjan say they have not authorised any transaction from the account since early in 1979, when they were married. The account, in Mrs Hunjan's maiden name of Chana, contains her savings and lay forgotten for 13 years among her father's papers. It was only in February last year that Mrs Hunjan's father discovered the book, and she took it to her branch of NatWest to get it updated.

Mr Hunjan described this encounter in a letter to the chairman of NatWest: "She was looked at with suspicion, as if she was a criminal and was in possession of a stolen passbook. She was well prepared for this and told the cashier that she had her marriage certificate and her passport with her as proof that the book was hers. The assistant manager informed my wife after one hour that the account had been closed in her name and allocated to another customer and there was no money in her account."



ALAN WELLER

Passbook to nowhere: the Hunjans display the culprit

Mrs Hunjan said this week: "I asked the manager who had given permission to withdraw the money? I am the sole signatory. How can a passbook not be evidence?"

NatWest says that, since computerisation in the 1960s, it has been "general banking practice" that "the primary record is the bank's computer, not a passbook. Passbooks can get lost or be duplicated". NatWest's records were computerised in 1971, but some customers still have passbooks rather than using cheque books or cards to get access to their accounts.

In the late 1970s, withdrawals and deposits were recorded by hand in the passbook and the cashier would check the balance of the account.

Because computers are meant to hold all the information recorded in a customer's passbook, it is not vital to have a passbook when closing an account, said NatWest. A passbook with a credit balance does not prove that the money is there, it said. NatWest claims its computer would not have allowed it to reallocate Mrs Hunjan's account number to another customer unless the account had been closed. It reallocated the number in 1981.

Savings accounts are considered to be dormant ten years after the last transaction if the bank has lost touch with the customer. But details of Mrs Hunjan's account were not held on the bank's dormant accounts file because members of her family still hold accounts at the same branch and it knew how to contact her. Any other records would probably have been destroyed, as they are only kept for up to ten years.

Since last February, the Hunjans have been fighting to get their money and succeeded in having their claim investigated by the banking ombudsman.

However, in February this year the ombudsman sided with NatWest.

Banks flout confidence code

SOME high street banks are continuing to flout their own voluntary banking code of practice by passing on customers' names and addresses to other companies in the same group without the customers' express consent (Sara McConnell writes).

The banking code review committee has been told in two separate submissions from Eric Howe, the data protection registrar, and Sir Bryan Carsberg, the director general of fair trading, that banks were circumventing the rules. Under the code banks and building societies are not normally allowed to disclose customers' details to any third party, including other companies in the same group. They can divulge such information only in specific circumstances: when they are legally compelled to do so, when they have a public duty to do so, when the interests of the bank or society require it, or when customers have consented.

Eric Howe, the data protection registrar, highlighted in his annual report published this week, the practice of "host mailing" within banks. He said: "A simplistic example of this might be where a bank mails a financial services offer on behalf of another company in the group. It does so only to those customers with a deposit account balance of at least £5,000. The other company will know that any customer responding to it has such a balance. This information will effectively have been passed from the bank to the other company without the customer's knowledge."

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6.5.1964	£6,000	£6,000	£6,000	£50	£50	£50	£50
1964	5,796	5,796	6,230	350	319	319	357
1965	6,504	6,672	6,633	950	974	992	1,001
1966	6,120	6,360	7,094	1,550	1,456	1,487	1,693
1967	7,224	7,728	7,610	2,150	2,331	2,424	2,439
1968	9,900	10,872	8,187	2,750	3,866	4,087	3,249
1969	8,256	9,252	8,872	3,350	3,766	4,022	4,148
1970	8,376	9,636	9,634	3,950	4,411	4,784	5,132
1971	12,696	15,036	10,437	4,550	7,452	8,236	6,186
1972	15,696	18,960	11,286	5,150	9,839	11,017	7,315
1973	11,832	14,496	12,395	5,750	7,869	8,878	8,667
1974	7,224	9,036	13,810	6,350	5,225	5,956	10,294
1975	16,164	20,760	15,373	6,950	12,446	14,446	12,095
1976	15,540	20,436	17,078	7,550	12,512	14,770	14,072
1977	24,696	33,288	18,939	8,150	20,559	24,739	16,241
1978	27,396	37,812	20,817	8,750	23,390	28,689	18,482
1979	28,476	40,176	23,434	9,350	24,848	31,022	21,448
1980	32,436	46,836	27,023	9,950	28,864	36,727	25,386
1981	37,464	55,488	30,688	10,550	33,929	44,107	29,470
1982	45,672	69,288	34,667	11,150	41,981	55,699	33,931
1983	65,964	102,180	38,362	11,750	61,304	82,815	38,180
1984	90,504	142,368	42,722	12,350	84,781	116,061	43,157
1985	112,968	180,180	48,189	12,950	106,466	147,530	49,323
1986	152,352	245,892	53,615	13,550	144,214	201,966	55,510
1987	184,248	300,696	59,392	14,150	174,961	247,537	62,125
1988	203,160	335,220	65,131	14,750	193,510	276,549	68,757
1989	257,076	428,544	73,382	15,350	245,483	354,160	78,117
1990	218,640	368,880	84,046	15,950	209,307	305,380	90,123
1991	226,320	387,120	93,554	16,550	217,187	321,009	100,945
1992	283,920	494,105	101,627	17,150	273,117	410,383	110,275
30.6.1993	335,520	588,568	104,488*	17,450	323,061	489,147	113,678*

Notes: The values shown have been calculated as if an M&G PEP and its current tax treatment were available throughout the period shown. The value to you of the tax benefits will depend on your own circumstances. The tax regime of PEPs could change in the future. All figures include re-invested income. M&G Dividend figures show the return to the investor. The Building Society figures are based on the average rate of a Building Society Share Account (Source: Central Statistical Office). The regular savings figures exclude the last payment and all payments apart from the first are made on the last business day of the month. An investment in M&G Dividend of £6,000 on 30th June, 1988 would be worth £9,339 by 30th June, 1993 with net income re-invested and £9,929 with gross income re-invested. An investment of £50 per month from 1988 (£3,000) would be worth £3,948 by 30th June, 1993 with net income re-invested and £4,091 with gross income re-invested. *Estimated using current interest rate levels. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. The price of units and the income from them may go down as well as up. You may get back less than you invested.

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Dull end to account

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1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
425	345	Abbey Nt	402	-2	11.5	3.6	13.5
203	179	Allied Irish	186	...	...	4.4	12.1
183	130	Aus New Z	183	+5	...	4.9	...
380½	271.2½	Bankamerica	299½	+3½	...	...	...
238	177	Bk of Ireland	234 †	-4	...	5.7	17.3
350	325	Bk Leumi UK	350	...	17.0	6.2	...
159	116½	Bank Scotland	154½	-2	4.5	3.7	30.8
446	362	Barclays	439	+2	...	3.9	...
4	3	Bardshaw	4	...	...	...	...
21	15	Carlisle	20	+1½	...	...	...
513	395	Cater Allen	487	-1	27.0	6.9	∞
130	85	Cater	127	...	...	4.1	16.9
2450	1787½	Chase Manh	2181½	+23	...	...	...
2137½	1345½	Citicorp	2106½	+43½	...	...	...
370	250	Close Bros	350	...	3.4	1.0	15.6
£125½	97.75	Commerzbk	£123½	-2½	...	3.2	...
£304½	£230½	Deutsche Bk	£286	+3½	...	2.7	...
85	45	First Nat Fin	79	-4½	...	...	...
1535	870	First Bank Y	1354	+8	...	0.3	∞
465	343	Gerrard Nat	434	...	21.5	6.3	11.3
687½	490	HSBC	665	-1	19.0	3.6	15.7
851	474	HSBC HK	636	...	19.0	3.7	15.2
356	343	Hambros	342	...	14.0	5.1	15.8
363	313	Joseph (L)	362	...	16.0	6.0	∞
155	98	King Shaxson	134	...	9.0	8.4	...
420	317	Kleinwort Ben	406	...	16.0	4.9	14.1
590	492	Lloyds	587	-1	18.4	3.9	16.8
87	63	Lon Scot Bk	80	...	3.0	4.7	15.9
174	132	Nat Aust Bk	474	+10	...	4.3	16.4
920	798	Nat West	902	...	17.5	4.4	10.5
397	270	Provident	377	+7	11.4	3.8	16.3
47	30	Rea Bros	41	...	0.5	1.5	43.6
301	202	Rtl Bk Scot	301	-8	8.8	3.7	...
1060	697½	Schroders	980	+10	...	1.4	14.1
948	576	Stand Chart	948	+15	20.0	2.9	...
200	145½	TSB	199	+1	6.4	4.1	...
150	78	Union Disc	145	...	...	...	...
741	552	Warburg (S)	728	-9	...	3.3	18.4
256	185	-do- 6% 'A'	254	-1	...	3.0	...
7850	6843½	Wells Fargo	7343½	+60	...	1.4	...
184	127	Westpac	184	-4	...	4.1	...
250	198	Wisenraz	240	...	9.3	5.0	∞

BREWERIES

646	517	Allied-Lyons	542	-1	...	4.8	14.6
547	441	Bass	475	+10	18.9	5.0	10.3
299	189	Boddington	266	...	7.3	3.4	15.5
450	362	Bulmer (H.P.)	414	-5	10.1	3.1	∞
159	129	Burmmond Inv	140	...	6.7	4.4	...
372	261	Devenish (A)	362	-1	7.8	2.7	20.4
102	75	Eldridge P 'A'	99 †	...	...	4.1	36.2
669	50	Fosters Brewing	54½	+3	...	5.0	7.8
480	338	Pubs Ltd 'A'	480	...	7.4	2.4	...
480	383	Grand Met	403	-2	12.3	3.9	13.1
427	354	Greenalls Grp	388	...	11.7	4.1	11.8
593	505	Greene King	548	+6	12.3	2.9	...
540	450	Guinness	522	-3	...	3.3	15.1
281	230	Hardy Hanson	273 †	...	7.0	3.6	15.2
125	105	Hawthorne	105	...	3.0	3.7	25.0
93	78	-do- 'A' LVs	82	...	3.0	4.7	19.5
342	265	Highland Dist	327	...	10.0	3.1	21.7
3138	2536	Holt J	3113	...	41.0	1.6	20.3
58	33	Hoskins Bros	56 #	...	...	...	40.3
323	250	Invergordn Dist	274	+2	7.0	3.2	∞
186	157	Macallan-Glen	180	+2	8.9	4.9	...
465	375	Macalin Marst 'A'	390 †	...	...	2.8	18.6
655	656	Mansfield	778 †	-1	15.4	2.5	∞
283	231	Marston Thmp	283 †	...	9.4	2.6	∞
418	328½	Matthew Clark	415	...	...	2.4	13.3
300	253	Mreydwn W	265	...	...	2.7	20.6
545	455	Morland	530	...	8.4	1.9	21.5
12	9½	Paramountx	8	...	...	3.1	14.2
165	145	Regent Inns	164	...	...	3.4	14.4
950	755	SA Breweries	891	+9	...	3.1	14.0
482½	408	Scot & Nwe	462	+4	...	4.7	13.8
225	181	Shepherd Neame	210	...	6.0	3.6	∞
268	213	Shepherd Wlk	258	...	8.3	3.0	16.2
700	525	Wolverhampton JD	652	+2	...	2.1	22.8
512	435	Whitbread 'A'	488	+4	...	4.6	13.1
1180	850	-do- 'B'	998	...	...	2.3	25.0
613	485	Wolverhmpton D	498	...	11.4	2.9	13.0
515	475	Young 'A'	485	...	14.5	3.7	20.1

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115	73	Abbey	110	...	...	1.2	39.7
27	17	Abingdonx	27	...	...	...	...
130	67	Alfabx	113 †	...	...	5.5	25.6
90	65	Amec	87	+3	3.0	4.3	16.1
9½	4	Anglia Sec	6	...	...	...	...
217	155	Ashtead	217	...	4.1	2.4	26.9
142	108	Ashwoods	115	...	5.0	5.4	16.5
290	180	AMEC	214 †	-2	...	4.4	16.8
89	57	Baggeridge Brk	75	-2	3.1	5.3	25.2
18	12	Bailey (Ben) Cm	16	...	0.5	...	...
105	74	Barrow	97	+2	1.2	1.6	17.6
158	94	Barratt Devs	149	+4	2.0	1.8	13.6
412	305	Bellway	377	-10	...	4.0	21.8
32	15	Bellwinck	26	...	...	...	...
423	295½	Berkeley Gp	400	...	6.0	1.9	∞
85	45	Bett Bros	81	...	...	0.8	3.4
83	56	Blackfrz	81	...	1.0	1.2	56.3
285	189	Blue Circle	245	+1	...	5.7	...
285	230	Boot (Henry)	277	...	5.0	2.7	15.5
106	78	Brecdon PLC	88	-4	4.6	6.5	21.3
121	82	Br Dredging	115	...	5.2	5.7	25.5
83	45	Brit Fittings	76	...	1.5	2.5	...
151	99	Bryant	130	...	4.8	4.6	27.8
81	52	CALA	76	...	2.5	...	...
264	205	CRH	264	...	...	3.4	17.7
45	21	Calebread Rby	23	...	...	...	...
45	23	Cussin	36	-3	...	...	...
138	86½	Countryside	134	-2	...	3.9	35.0
70	38	Cr Nicholson	68	...	0.0	...	...
94	29	Cussins	93	...	...	...	...
9	1½	Dunmow	2	...	...	...	...
25	15	Edmond Hidgs	15	...	0.5	4.2	...
268	178	Epwin	255	+1	6.8	3.3	21.6
51	37	Ethn	51	...	0.3	0.9	...
380	252	Eve Group	377	...	3.2	1.3	13.7
59	34	Everest Berdon	45	-1	2.0	5.8	21.1
6½	3½	Explanx	5½	...	...	...	...
140	97	Freeman Gp	130	...	...	4.6	21.6
50	38	Galliford	50	...	4.3	...	15.7
78	52	Gibbs & Dandy	52	...	...	...	...
883	695	Gleeson (M)	878	...	12.7	1.8	14.2
1228	910	Hewden-Stuart	1209	...	...	3.4	27.4
78	52	Heywood	66	...	...	3.5	13.4
304	186	Heywd Wm	304	...	12.5	5.1	...
106	37	Higgs & Hill	88	-2	2.5	3.6	...
25	17	How Gp	17	...	...	0.9	...
19	15	Howard Hidgs	18	...	0.5	3.5	...
70	36	Hstock Johnsen	65	...	1.0	1.9	...
19	12½	Jarvis	19	...	...	...	...
228	198	Laing (J)	206	...	9.0	4.2	10.6
35	25	Lo Cty'side⊕	29	...	4.5	7.1	29.7
123	105	Lovell (C)	119	...	...	...	...
330	240	Maiden	315	...	9.0	2.9	19.3
43	29	Marley	138	...	4.2	3.8	40.5
685	611	Marshalls	685	...	...	1.4	56.6
482	382	Maunders (J)	454	-4	4.9	4.0	15.1
214	95	McAlpine (A)	204	...	6.5	4.0	35.3
40	23	McCarthy & S	28	...	0.5	...	...
388	272	Meyer Int	351	...	...	3.6	39.1
4	2	Mildin Gps	4	...	...	...	...
129	62	Mowlem (J)	103	-1	4.0	3.0	...
86	51	NSM	82	...	...	...	...
53	48	Needler ⊕	48	...	...	3.7	23.5
160	105	Newman Tnks	151	...	...	2.6	20.2
300	197	Persimmon	295	...	8.5	4.0	27.2
30	20	Pinerals Timber	25	...	...	...	...
1625	1237½	Pochins	1525	...	28.0	2.4	9.3
146	80	Powring	111	-4	3.4	3.8	...
9½	5	Quilligotd⊕	5½	...	...	...	...
780	595	RMC Gp	768	+6	...	3.3	30.2
117	75½	Ratner Ind	82	...	6.0	9.1	13.7
36	20	Rasmusx	22	...	...	...	...
519	402	Redland	468	-2	25.0	6.7	27.2
79	54	Rmldrl	76	...	2.8	4.8	11.6
298	207	Rugby Group	257	+2	6.4	3.1	19.7
42	23	Svrtld-Ave	41	...	...	...	...
212	68	Sharpe & Fisher	189	...	...	4.5	18.1
177	166	Sheffield Ind	175	...	...	3.0	42.9
123	82	Sheriff Hidgs	123 †	...	...	2.0	18.3
95	66	Shorrock	72	...	...	9.0	16.4
228	196	Smart (J)	197	...	8.5	5.4	9.0
9½	2½	Spurmin	3	...	0.3	12.5	∞
142	103	Tarmac	127	2½	5.5	5.4	...
194	137	Tay Homes	157	...	5.8	4.7	10.0
618	63	Taylor Woodrw	111	+2	1.8	1.1	...
618	433	Tilbury Dougls	585	...	33.0	7.1	∞
39	19	Toren Hldrs	37	...	...	1.4	...
246	168	Travis Perkins	215	-1	1.0	0.4	37.9
40	30	Try Group	31	-1	1.0	4.0	8.8
28	26	Tudors	28	...	...	...	...
74	41	Vibroplant	61	-2	2.5	3.2	21.5
65	29	Ward Hidgs	47	-2	...	...	...
36	25	Waterstrooz	31	...	...	...	...
475	360	Wms Blake	425	...	10.7	3.1	18.3
26	8	Wessex	22	...	...	...	...
152	90	Westbury	139	...	5.0	4.7	20.8
12	4½	West Scaffold⊕	8½	...	...	...	...
12	5	Wiggins	9 ⊕	...	...	...	...
461	371	Wilson Bowdn	398	-2	8.7	2.7	27.3
238	147	Wilson (C)	162	...	3.9	3.0	28.1
180	104	Wimpey G	163	...	...	4.1	...
47	25	YRM	40	...	...	4.0	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

875	463	ADT	603	...	...	...	∞
228	98	Adam & Harvey	210	...	12.0	7.4	∞
92	59	Air Londonx	65	...	...	6.7	8.0
56	37	African Lakes	54	...	2.0	4.6	...
178	125	Auto Sec	162	-12	...	4.2	28.5
78	54	BET Ord	117½	+½	4.3	4.2	15.7
41	31	BMB Res	37	...	...	8.0	34.6
318	258	BPP	293	...	8.0	3.4	16.2
285	205	Barbour Index	265	-5	8.0	3.0	...
25	15	Boustead	20	...	0.2	1.0	...
106	84	Brandon PLC	88	-4	4.6	6.5	21.3
121	82	Br Dredging	115	...	5.2	5.7	25.5
83	45	Brit Fittings	76	...	1.5	2.5	...
151	99	Bryant	130	...	4.8	4.6	27.8
81	52	CALA	76	...	2.5	...	...
264	205	CRH	264	...	...	3.4	17.7
45	21	Calebread Rby	23	...	...	...	...
45	23	Cussin	36	-3	...	...	...
138	86½	Countryside	134	-2	...	3.9	35.0
70	38	Cr Nicholson	68	...	0.0	...	...
94	29	Cussins	93	...	...	...	...
9	1½	Dunmow	2	...	...	...	...
25	15	Edmond Hidgs	15	...	0.5	4.2	...
268	178	Epwin	255	+1	6.8	3.3	21.6
51	37	Ethn	51	...	0.3	0.9	...
380	252	Eve Group	377	...	3.2	1.3	13.7
59	34	Everest Berdon	45	-1	2.0	5.8	21.1
6½	3½	Explanx	5½	...	...	...	...
140	97	Freeman Gp	130	...	...	4.6	21.6
50	38	Galliford	50	...	4.3	...	15.7
78	52	Gibbs & Dandy	52	...	...	...	...
883	695	Gleeson (M)	878	...	12.7	1.8	14.2
1228	910	Hewden-Stuart	1209	...	...	3.4	27.4
78	52	Heywood	66	...	...	3.5	13.4
304	186	Heywd Wm	304	...	12.5	5.1	...
106	37	Higgs & Hill	88	-2	2.5	3.6	...
25	17	How Gp	17	...	...	0.9	...
19	15	Howard Hidgs	18	...	0.5	3.5	...
70	36	Hstock Johnsen	65	...	1.0	1.9	...
19	12½	Jarvis	19	...	...	...	...
228	198	Laing (J)	206	...	9.0	4.2	10.6
35	25	Lo Cty'side⊕	29	...	4.5	7.1	29.7
123	105	Lovell (C)	119	...	...	...	...
330	240	Maiden	315	...	9.0	2.9	19.3
43	29	Marley	138	...	4.2	3.8	40.5
685	611	Marshalls	685	...	...	1.4	56.6
482	382	Maunders (J)	454	-4	4.9	4.0	15.1
214	95	McAlpine (A)	204	...	6.5	4.0	35.3
40	23	McCarthy & S	28	...	0.5	...	...
388	272	Meyer Int	351	...	...	3.6	39.1
4	2	Mildin Gps	4	...	...	...	...
129	62	Mowlem (J)	103	-1	4.0	3.0	...
86	51	NSM	82	...	...	...	...
53	48	Needler ⊕	48	...	...	3.7	23.5
160	105	Newman Tnks	151	...	...	2.6	20.2
300	197	Persimmon	295	...	8.5	4.0	27.2
30	20	Pinerals Timber	25	...	...	...	...
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28	26	Tudors	28	...	...	...	...
74	41	Vibroplant	61	-2	2.5	3.2	21.5
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475	360	Wms Blake	425	...	10.7	3.1	18.3
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152	90	Westbury	139	...	5.0	4.7	20.8
12	4½	West Scaffold⊕	8½	...	...	...	...
12	5	Wiggins	9 ⊕	...	...	...	...
461	371	Wilson Bowdn	398	-2	8.7	2.7	27.3
238	147	Wilson (C)	162	...	3.9	3.0	28.1
180	104	Wimpey G	163	...	...	4.1	...
47	25	YRM	40	...	...	4.0	...

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

248	210	Allied Colloids	222 †	...	...	2.3	20.1
838	615	Amersham	808	-18	...	2.1	27.9
7	2	Anglo Utd	2⊕	...	...	...	...
£101½	8325	BASF DM	9950	+160½	...	3.2	...
283	199	BTP	252 †	-3	...	4.4	18.1
£119	£101½	Bayer DM50	£115½	+18½	...	4.6	...
178	134	Blagden	149	...	9.5	8.0	16.1
165	93	Brent Chemls	101	...	...	9.2	9.2
530	368	Br Bio-Tech	375	...	...	...	...
29	12½	Caird Gp	13	...	...	13.8	26.1
153	126	Canning (W)	130	...	7.2	7.0	14.9
638	504	Courtaulds	537	-3	...	3.4	13.7
295	228	Croda	287	-2	...	3.4	18.2
148	121	Dorlfex	136	...	4.6	4.1	10.7
219	178	Ellis & Everard	209	...	7.0	4.3	∞
33½	15½	Euro Colour	31	+1½	0.8	3.2	10.0
308	259	Halstead (J)	305	-1	...	2.5	15.3
241	194	Hickson	222	-2	...	4.5	20.6
£114½	8850	Hoechst	£109½	+200	...	3.5	...
225	195	Holliday Chem	203	...	...	2.3	18.7
710	608	ICI	639	-9	...	5.4	...
668	581	Laporte	595	-3	19.5	4.1	16.4
223	181	Leigh	188	+1	...	9.4	17.6
99½	55	MTM	96	...	...	1.7	29.7
1750	1462½	Norsk Hydro	1727½	...	...	4.1	17.2
450	359	Pearson Zloch	447	...	11.6	3.2	19.3
400	280	-do- 'A'	398	...	11.6	3.6	17.2
296	228	Plysu	294	...	...	3.7	18.3
243	173	Porvair	242	...	3.6	1.9	25.9
12½	7	Sutcliffe Speak	11½†	...	...	...	...
675	618	Wardle Storeys	650	-3	16.0	4.8	10.0
490	396	Watchtlme H	475	...	17.0	4.5	16.2
401	358	Yorks Chem	364	-4	...	2.6	19.5
306	240	Yule Catto	288	-1	5.9	3.0	15.1
627	609	Zeneca	627	-3	...	5.5	20.9

DRAPERY, STORES

98	61	Alexon	66	...	...	6.0	...
57	42	Amber Day	54	-1	3.1	6.1	17.5
326½	257	Argos Plc	306	+1	...	2.9	26.1
25	12	Ashley Group	15	...	...	4.7	...
118	69	Ashley (Laura)	108	-3	0.1	0.1	...
305	228	Asprey	295	+2	6.1	2.2	20.1
134	94	Austin Reed	121	...	...	2.6	...
153	128	Bestnz Of 'A'	143	...	...	5.2	14.4
121	94	Benlalls	99	...	1.9	3.4	...
278	208	Bensswre	255	-3	...	1.8	30.5
35	22	Blacks Leis	30	-1	2.2	9.0	∞
227	133	Body Shop	213	+6	...	1.9	27.5
15½	11½	Brown & Jackso	13½	+½	...	0.7	6.2
401	318	Brown (N)	378	...	...	2.3	22.2
87½	64½	Burton	81½	-1	...	3.1	...
148	126	Caudors	141	...	...	3.4	18.7
298	205	Church	249	+5	12.5	4.5	11.0
183	97	Clinton Cards	140	...	4.2	3.0	16.9
248	212	Coats Viyella	234	...	...	3.9	27.6
243	180	Colourvision	208	-4	5.6	2.7	∞
664	504	Courts Furnish	661	...	9.0	1.4	...
155	115	Crown Eyca	137	...	...	5.5	6.4
120	89	Daisy Férm Int	115	+1	...	2.9	18.3
78½	57½	Dewhirst (J)	75½	...	...	1.7	24.2
281	189	Dixons Grp	197	+5	...	4.0	...
413	320	Dunhill	367	+1	...	2.8	14.3
21	12½	ERA Gp	15	...	...	...	...
530	400	Elys (Wimbldn)	510	...	16.0	4.0	17.1
140	91	Essex Furn	140	+4	...	2.5	22.9
251	208	Etam	250	...	8.9	3.4	22.6
580	499	Fine Art Dev	587	...	12.7	2.7	19.2
50	26	Fired Earth Tiles	36	...	...	...	...
543	468	Forminster	536	...	...	...	...
169	24	French Conn⊕	107	+3	...	...	...
63	43	Gent Sh	56	-1	2.0	4.5	16.4
313	230	Gs Hidgs	230	-5	5.1	2.8	16.4
41½	11	Ramers Group	30½	...	...	...	...
178	108	Rhine Grp	131	...	...	3.6	15.4
200	130	Sherwood Gp	145	+1	...	2.2	13.1
108	93	Sears	99	+½	...	4.6	...
498	400	Smith Wh 'A'	446	-1	13.6	3.8	15.7
15	4½	Specialeyes	12	...	...	...	...
219½	176	Storehouse	188†	-½	...	3.2	24.3
183	138	Neotronics	138	...	...	2.6	14.7
65	42	Newmark (L)	61	...	...	...	...
178	138	Northn	157	-1	...	1.2	∞
30	20	Nthumbrlnd	28	...	0.6	1.3	...
159	9	Oceonics	11½	...	...	...	7.5
265	195	Oxford Inst	261	...	4.5	2.2	17.7
83	48	PR Interni	73	...	1.0	1.7	...
80½	39	P & P	68	...	1.4	2.6	38.7
80	55	Peek	70	...	1.4	2.0	18.3
190	115	Pegasus	167	...	...	4.8	42.9
9000	6000	Philips Fn 4%	9000	...	...	6.4	...
112½	725	-do- Lmp nv	1112½	+37½	...	...	...
254	211	Pizzaexpress	245	...	...	1.7	...
477	343	Pizzo	477	+4	7.7	2.0	40.4
452	303	-do- 'A' Voting	452	+2	7.7	2.2	38.3
98	63	Prismex	71	...	...	6.6	6.0
158	78	Pussac	103	...	2.4	2.9	20.8
158	98	Prisma	108	+3	...	2.9	20.7
229	160	Racal Elec	217	+1	4.2	2.4	12.0
70	45	Radamec	65	-3	...	2.9	13.9
83	63	Radius⊕	78	-1	...	5.8	20.0
83	61	Real Time ⊕	80	...	...	3.2	...
25½	18	Rhsa	20	...	...	...	30.0
629	488	Sage Gp	606	...	9.0	2.3	15.9
342	222	Sanderson Elec	310	...	9.0	3.6	13.2
70	49	Scantronic	70	...	3.1	4.4	11.3
155	117	Schales Gp	145	...	5.0	4.3	24.5
371	220	Sema Gp	364	...	2.8	1.0	29.5
38	26	Silverstnes	29	...	...	4.7	∞
50	37	Soundtracks⊕	47	...	...	0.0	15.5
2350	1725½	TDK	2350	+80½	...	1.0	∞
32	4½	TDS Circuits⊕	10	...	...	...	...
155	80	Telemetrix	143	-2	0.8	0.7	25.6
823	609	Thorn EMI	800	+8	...	4.5	18.7
118	101	Thorpe FW	102	...	...	4.9	10.2
103	65	Total Systems	65 †	-2	3

On the trail of your coppers

Margaret Dibben guides you through the minefield of placing BT3 shares in a personal equity plan



BT's Inspector Morse parody:



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Tomorrow the cost of the third instalment for BT3 shares will be announced with the basis of the allocation. As the government is encouraging personal equity plan holders, applicants buying shares through the PEP retail tender get priority and they could receive all the shares they want.

The first-stage payment is 160p a share and the second instalment is 140p a share, which is due next March. The minimum application was for 1,000 shares, the right amount for a single company PEP, and the maximum 2,000 which fills a general PEP.

Investors who receive their full allocation have nothing to do apart from find the money to pay the next two tranches. The third instalment becomes payable in October 1994 which falls in a new PEP year, so you are already committed to having a PEP in 1994/95 and one containing BT3 shares.

Anyone whose application has been scaled down can top up to 1,000 or 2,000 shares by buying in the stock market through a PEP manager when trading starts on Monday. You will pay the market price for the shares, but make sure you use a share shop which has a special low dealing price.

You may have bought BT3 shares through the retail tender without making advance plans for the shares to be switched automatically into a PEP. This does not stop you doing so now, although not all share shops offer PEP facilities. You have six weeks from July 18 in which to transfer the shares to a PEP. If you leave it any longer you must, under PEP rules, go through the hoops of first selling and then buying back the shares within the PEP which costs double commission fees. Look for a manager who waives the initial PEP fee.

> 'You have six weeks to transfer'

There are no restrictions on how many shares you buy in the after-market. You could buy more than 2,000 shares and sell the surplus just before the second instalment falls due. Richard Twydell, the marketing manager of stockbroker Henderson Crosthwaite, says: "If the share price goes up, it is to your advantage because you can sell the extra shares to raise money to pay the second call on the remainder. If it falls, then it will have been to your disadvantage because you have to sell the shares to make room for the second instalment, whatever the price." He adds: "There will be charges to pay for selling but you will receive two dividends on a bigger amount and that is worth a lot more than the selling charges."

If you fail to make the second-instalment payment and take no action to sell the shares, you forfeit your shares and they become worthless. The PEP manager will probably automatically sell them for you because it breaches the rules to have more than £6,000 in a general PEP.

Investors with BT3 shares bought through the public offer, where they paid a lower price and have the chance of bonus shares later on, can still put these into a PEP if they act within 42 days. However in practice they may have problems finding a PEP manager who will accept them. This is because shares bought through the public offer were 10p cheaper for the first payment so there will be two different prices for BT3 shares, which some PEP managers say is difficult to cope with. If you do find a PEP management company that will take on your public-offer shares, make sure it will also let you keep the incentives.

> 'Make sure you keep incentives'

Barclays Stockbrokers is one that will transfer shares and incentives bought in the public offer through its share shop operation. Justin Urquart-Stewart, the director of planning, advises: "If you bought shares with the discount and bonus, you still benefit from these. But do check with your PEP manager because there have been cases where you lost your benefits even though you are entitled to them."

However the third-stage payment on its own will not be enough to fill a PEP, even a single company PEP. You can top up your PEP to the maximum allowed, but in a single company PEP this can only be with BT shares.

General PEPs, provided they are flexible ones, will allow you to top up your holding with other shares or with unit trusts or investment trusts.

Beware the hefty dealing charges

Personal equity plans which allow investors to choose their own shares hold out the attraction of combining tax relief with an actively managed portfolio. The added administration costs, however, can more than outweigh the tax benefits.

A self-select PEP allows the experienced investor freedom of choice over the shares, unit trusts and investment trusts held in his PEP portfolio, while the plan manager deals with all administration and record keeping. But if the investor manages his portfolio too actively, he may soon find himself running up hefty dealing charges.

Many private client stock brokers and some investment management companies offer self-select plans with very low or non-existent initial and annual charges. But all set a minimum share dealing commission, ranging from £15 to £30 and averaging at 1.5 per cent. Even if the investor restricts himself to a holding of four different shares which he trades once a year, he will end up paying at least £60.



An investor who trades all the shares once a year would be considered active. Bill Hopkins, intermediary adviser for stockbrokers Albert E. Sharpe & Company, says most investors who take out self-select PEPs trade much less than this. He says: "The majority of people who do this are company directors pepping their own shares. They just sit on them."

As the PEP managers tend to make their profit out of the dealing commission, this inactivity can make running self-select PEPs an unprofitable business. Some have reacted by levying an "inactivity" charge on the investor. The Share Centre charges £2 every three months for each share holding.

Pointon York claims to offer the cheapest self-select PEP on the market at the moment. It levies no initial or annual charge, £7.50 per asset transferred out of the PEP and dealing charges of 1.5 per cent on shares and investment trusts, subject to a £25 minimum. Unit trust investments are subject to the usual bid offer spread.

David Aikman, a consultant with Pointon York, agrees that frequent share trading can push PEPs cost up, and he says that self-select PEPs are not suitable for stagging — buying shares in a new issue with the intention of selling them to realise a profit as soon as dealing in the shares begins. Most self-select PEPs are run purely on an execution-only basis by the PEP managers.

Charles Stanley & Co offers investors advice when selecting between shares, unit trusts and investment trusts for inclusion in their Exempt Account PEPs. The plan has an initial charge of £25 plus VAT on the first plan only, an annual charge of 0.75 per cent and dealing charges of 1.85 per cent.

The dealing charge reflects the price of advice. Charles Stanley's execution-only self-select PEP has identical initial and annual charges, but dealing charges of 1 per cent, with a minimum of £20 to a maximum of £35.

Mr Aikman suggests that someone managing their own portfolio for the first time with a sizeable amount to invest in the PEP could consider having four holdings. After several years of PEP investment, with perhaps about £50,000 under management, the investor could consider having ten or 12 core holdings in blue chip companies, and five holdings which the investor would keep a careful eye on — smaller companies for example.

However, there is a danger that the investor can take on more than he can handle. Mr Aikman says: "You can't, as an amateur, hold all the information in your head. Investors may be losing out on the investment performance because they just don't have the time to study it. It's better then to go to a professional manager. You get what you pay for, basically."

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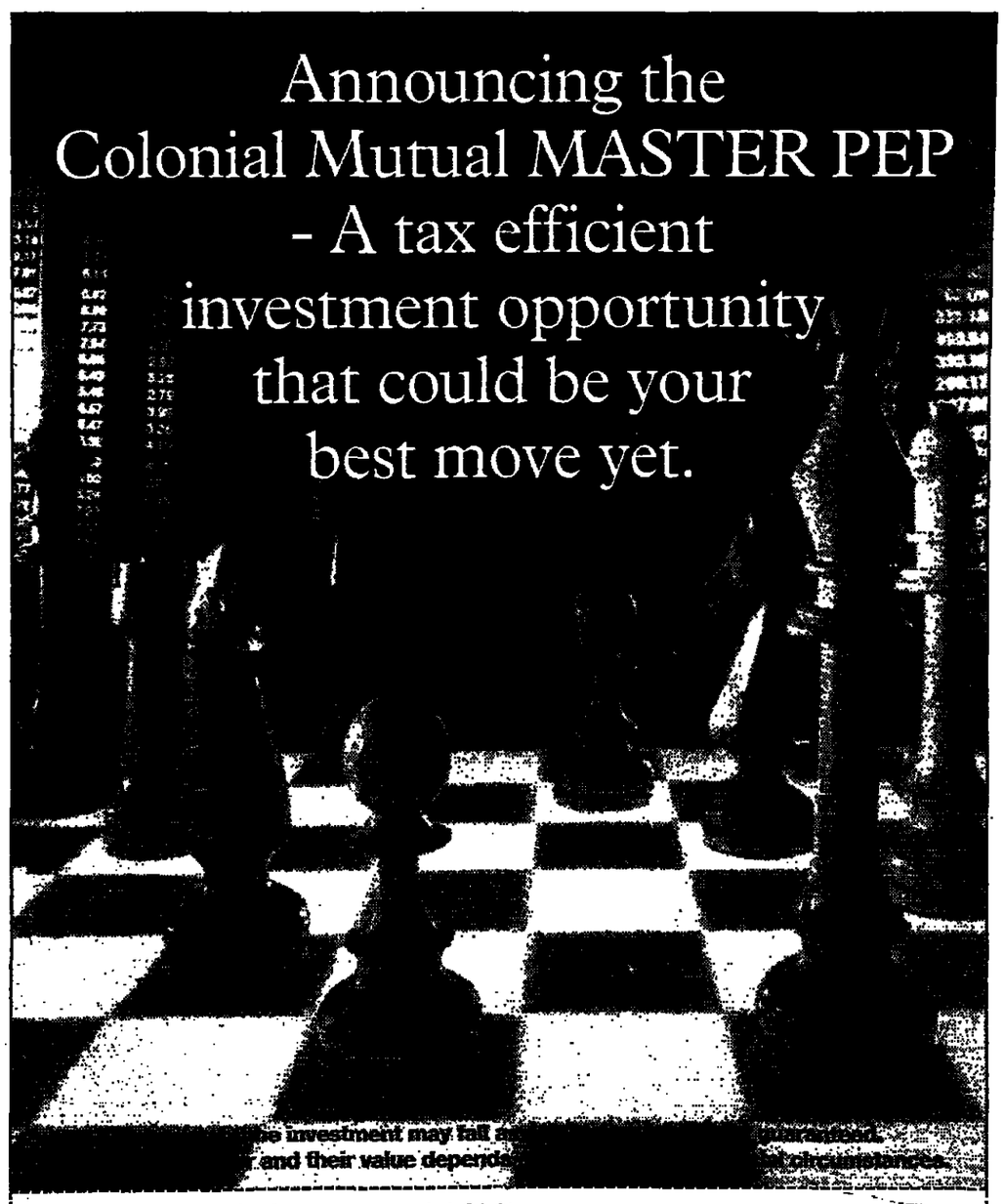
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Nigel's case for savers

Mr Lawson wanted PEP investors to buy shares, but most have gone for unit trusts, says **Helen Pridham**

Personal equity plans, the tax-free schemes for investing in shares, have been selling in bumper numbers this year. It is estimated that some £3.3 billion was invested in PEPs in the year to April, an increase of more than 30 per cent on the year before. The first quarter is generally the peak sales period prior to the end of the tax year. But companies report that sales have continued at a high level ever since.

Several factors have helped to push up sales. Cuts in interest have encouraged building society investors to look for better returns elsewhere and the buoyancy of the stock market has made shares an attractive alternative. PEP managers have responded by launching high-yielding PEPs. The change in rules in the 1992 Budget which allowed the full £6,000 annual general PEP allowance to be invested in unit and investment trusts has also increased the incentive for fund managers to promote their products.

Sales of PEPs have increased dramatically in the past two years compared to the sluggish start they made when they were introduced in 1987. In that first year sales were £480 million, while in 1988 they fell back to only £200 million. Managers complained that the administrative costs of running PEPs were too high. After some government concessions, PEP sales picked up to around £1.2 billion in 1989. In 1990/91, they rose to £1.6 billion before jumping to £2.4 billion last year.

Companies still complain that PEPs are much more expensive to run than other investment products because of the excessive amount of rules and regulations.

A recent survey by accountants Price Waterhouse found that PEPs are three times more expensive for managers to run than a unit trust. Nevertheless, most companies see a PEP as a vital product in their range and are prepared to make them loss leaders if necessary. At the last count there were more than 200 managers offering PEPs including leading building societies, banks, insurance companies, investment houses and stockbrokers.

Awareness of PEPs among investors has been growing fast. Paul Ashby, the marketing manager at Barclays, the top seller of PEPs last year, says: "More people now know about PEPs than about unit trusts, though unit trusts have been around for more than 60 years and PEPs for only just over six."

However, some PEP watchers are worried that many investors are being attracted by the "tax free" label and the high yields being quoted on some PEPs — without fully understanding the nature of the investment they are buying or the short term risks involved with shares.

PEPs have certainly turned out rather differently than the government intended. When Nigel Lawson, as Chancellor, announced their introduction in 1986, the government's main intention was to encourage wider share ownership. The first plans issued in 1987 had to be at least 75 per cent invested directly in shares. Nowadays the bulk of PEP money is going into unit and investment trusts.

According to Proshare, the organisation which promotes share ownership, the number of shareholders has grown by less than a million since 1987 from 8.40 million to 9.26 million and the main reason has been privatisations rather than PEPs.

Stuart Valentine, Proshare's director of research, says: "PEPs have certainly not fulfilled Nigel Lawson's original vision which was that they should help to widen and deepen share ownership. During the early years, most PEP investors were existing shareholders switching their holdings into a tax-free environment. Nowadays, the emphasis is on unit and investment trust PEPs. Admittedly, these make sense for many modest investors because it gives them a spread of risk, but most do not perceive it as share ownership."

Even Save & Prosper, one of the few large companies to continue to successfully market a PEP in the original mould — a managed share PEP consisting of a dozen blue chip companies — reports little active investor interest. Ken Emery of S & P says: "Planholders rarely ask to attend company AGMs."

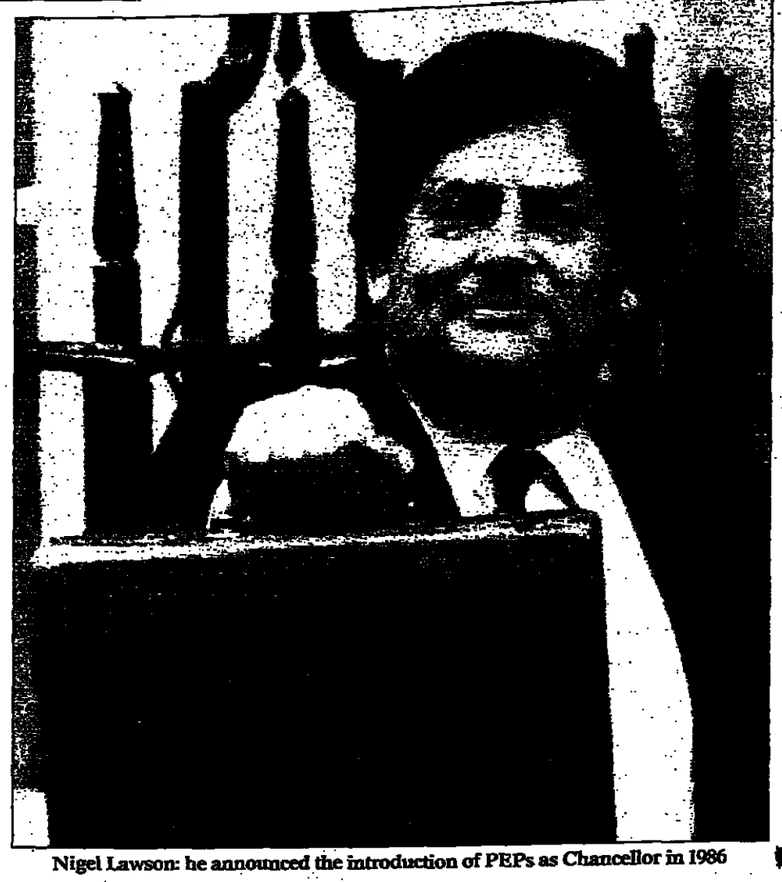
He admits that many investors may have been attracted into PEPs principally because of the tax benefits, but he points out: "Most early investors have stuck with their PEPs over the past few years, despite the ups and downs in the stockmarket, and are now reaping the benefits of an investment in shares which they would not have had if they had left their money in a building society."

Some provincial stockbrokers, such as Allied Provincial, also report growing interest from new customers in using PEPs to invest in shares direct. Allied Provincial, which has 23 offices throughout the country, sold some £65 million of PEPs last year.

Direct shareholders are being encouraged by single-company PEPs, which were introduced in 1992 in the form of an extra £3,000 allowance on top of a £6,000 general PEP. However, it is estimated that they accounted for only 7 per cent of the total invested in PEPs last year. The best selling PEPs this year have been those paying a high income.

Hypo Foreign & Colonial High Income PEP has been attracting £10 million a week ever since it was launched in February and total investment now amounts to over £190 million. M & G's Managed Income Fund pulled in £60 million between its launch in February and the end of the tax year, and Fidelity's new High Income Trust also contributed £40 million during the same period. Fidelity says that around 50 per cent of PEP investors are opting to have their income reinvested.

Mr Ashby of Barclays believes that managers would have sold further "bucketfuls" of high-yielding low-risk PEPs if the government had agreed to the inclusion of gilts in this year's spring Budget.



Nigel Lawson: he announced the introduction of PEPs as Chancellor in 1986

BEST PEP MANAGERS

Company	Sales 92-93 £m	Sales (91-92) £m	Market share %
Barclays	294	(215)	8.9
M&G	177	(254)	5.4
Lloyds Bank	137	(134)	4.1
Save & Prosper	136	(147)	4.1
Nat West Bank	128	(91)	3.9
Perpetual	119	(40)	3.6
Fidelity	110	(53)	3.3
Bradford & Bingley	106	(129)	3.2
TSB	99	(39)	3.0
Foreign & Colonial	95	(16)	2.9

Source: BESt Investment

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Perpetual	High Income	1,897.67
Schroder	Enterprise	1,827.29
Perpetual	PEP Growth & Income	1,803.39
Newton	General	1,781.06
N & P	Higher Income	1,758.89
Hill Samuel	UK Emerging Cos	1,758.36
Pembroke	Pembroke	1,701.08
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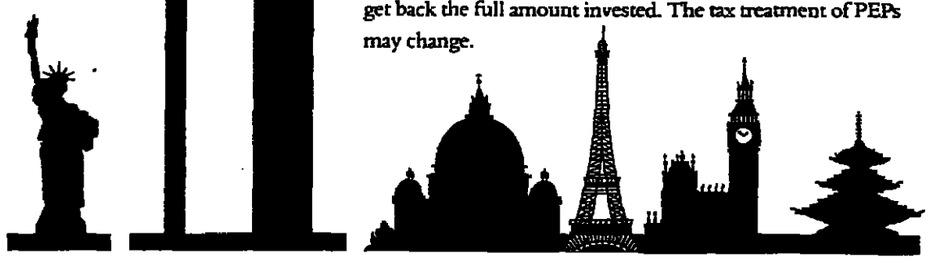
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There are fees for holding a PEP savings plan, says **Helen Pridham**, but also tax-free benefits

Investment that beats the taxman



John Spiers: "You must look at total return and the manager's investment performance record"

PEPs have developed a clear identity of their own. Yet they come in different forms. They can be used to invest in a single share, a number of shares, a unit trust or an investment trust. Charges can vary enormously between the different types of plans and plan managers. But one thing they all have in common is tax benefits.

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When income is left to build up inside a PEP free of tax, the benefit eventually becomes substantial. If £1,000 could have been invested in the average UK equity income unit trust via a PEP ten years ago, it would now be worth over £750 more than a trust outside a PEP, where basic rate tax had been deducted from dividends. But remember, any investment in shares involves risk.

PEPs are open to investors aged 18 and over and resident in the UK for tax purposes. A maximum of £6,000 can now be invested in a general PEP in each tax year, plus £3,000 in a single company PEP. The minimum lump sum investment accepted in a PEP depends on the manager, but is normally £500 or £1,000. Monthly savings schemes are also available, often starting at £30 or £50.

An investor can take out a general PEP with only one scheme manager each year; you cannot split your annual allowance between two or more management groups. But you can take a single company PEP with a different manager from the general PEP. And you can choose a different general PEP manager each year.

Initially, only UK quoted ordinary shares could be held in a PEP, but since January 1992 the scope has been widened to include EC quoted shares. Unit and investment trusts must be at least 51 per cent invested in UK and EC shares to qualify for full inclusion in a general PEP, although it is possible to invest up to £1,500 in a non-qualifying trust.

Charges vary. On unit trust schemes, there are usually no extra fees above the usual unit trust charges — a front end deduction of 5 per cent to 6 per cent and an annual management charge of 1 per cent to 1.5 per cent. With investment trust PEPs, there is usually also an initial and annual administration charge.

A PEP invested in a managed portfolio of shares is likely to have an initial charge of up to 4 per cent and an annual maintenance fee of 1.5 per cent. There will also be dealing commission of 0.25 per cent to 1 per cent to pay on share sales and purchases. Self-select PEPs, where you can choose the shares yourself, are less likely to have an initial charge, but there will be an annual 1 per cent charge, and the dealing charges when you want to buy and sell shares will be about 1.65 per cent (minimum £20). Corporate PEPs are low-cost: the annual fee is 0.5 per cent.

Investor opinion has helped to lower charges. Several groups, including Fidelity, Gartmore and Scottish Equitable, have reduced the initial charges on their unit trust PEPs, though they levy an exit penalty if investors cash in the first three years or so. Cazenove has gone further with its Utility & Bond PEP, which has an initial fee of 0.2 per cent and 0.5 per cent annual management charge.

However, as John Spiers of the Best PEP Adviser Service, points out, "It is not sensible to make charges your only criteria for choice, in the same way as you should not base your choice on yield only. You must look at total return and the manager's investment performance record".

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Watch the swings and roundabouts

Initial and management charges can wipe out the benefit of PEPs

When the former Chancellor of the Exchequer, Nigel Lawson, introduced personal equity plans in the 1986 Budget, investors were promised an attractive tax benefit to invest in shares. In reality, many investors may feel the only people to have benefited are the PEP managers.

Despite talk of "price wars" within the investment industry, the average costs of owning a PEP remain high. So high that many PEP owners, particularly lower rate taxpayers, have found that the costs can wipe out the tax benefits.

This year's Budget has further eroded the benefits offered by PEPs by making changes to advance corporation tax — the effect was to reduce the claimable tax credit on dividend income from 25 per cent to 20 per cent.



For example, an investor who has made the maximum PEP investment of £6,000 might receive a net dividend income of £192. Until recently, this would have represented a gross income of £256, or nearly 4.3 per cent. But after the Budget changes, the income received by the PEP will be grossed up to £240, a 4 per cent gross yield. This represents a tax saving of £48 for the basic rate taxpayer.

This benefit will be more than swallowed up by the PEP's annual management charge — which, at the typical rate of 1 per cent plus VAT, works out at £70.50. The investor has already lost out. But, on top of this, he must also pay an initial charge of (typically) 5 per cent, or £300. To stand any chance of gaining, the investor must benefit from the capital gains tax advantages, or find a PEP with a lower initial charge.

Philip Hooker, of Hoare Govett Corporate Finance, speaking at a recent Proshare conference, said: "PEPs do, of course, remain attractive to higher rate taxpayers, especially those who are likely to use up their capital gains tax exemptions."

In the earlier example, a higher rate taxpayer paying a management charge of 1 per cent would have saved £96 of income tax by investing through a PEP. This would have left him £25 ahead after costs. If the PEP charges were 1.5 per cent, which is not uncommon, charges would have amounted to £105.75 and even this investor would have lost out.

Some companies lure investors to their PEPs with low initial charges of, for example, 2 per cent, only to sting them on a regular basis with a high annual charge.

This still leaves investors with the benefit of free capital gains to look forward to. But according to the Inland Revenue, only 85,000 people in the UK will generate enough capital gains — £5,800 — to necessitate taxation this year. Most people who buy a PEP are unlikely to fall into that number.

The easiest way for investors to compare costs is by buying the Chase de Vere PEP Guide, a directory of PEPs and their charges.

Although, in the case of managed PEPs, investors should choose their PEP according to the long-term investment performance of its manager and the spread of investment displayed by the plan, costs may prove to be the final deciding factor.

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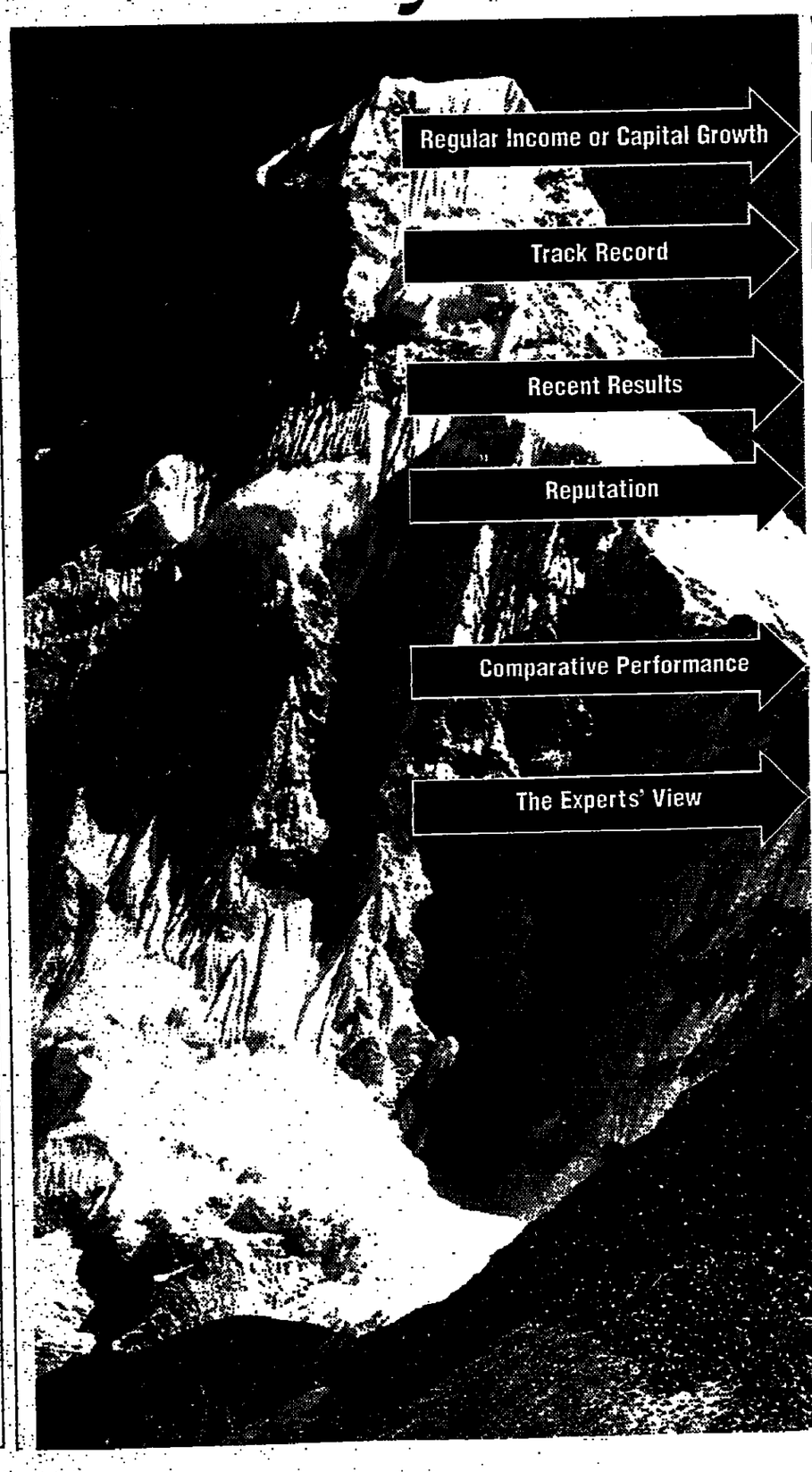
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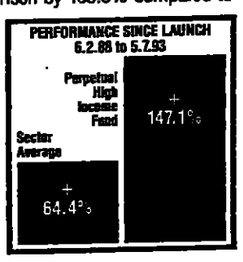
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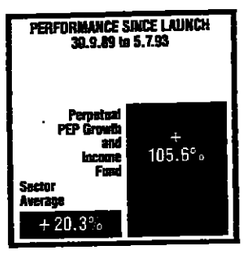
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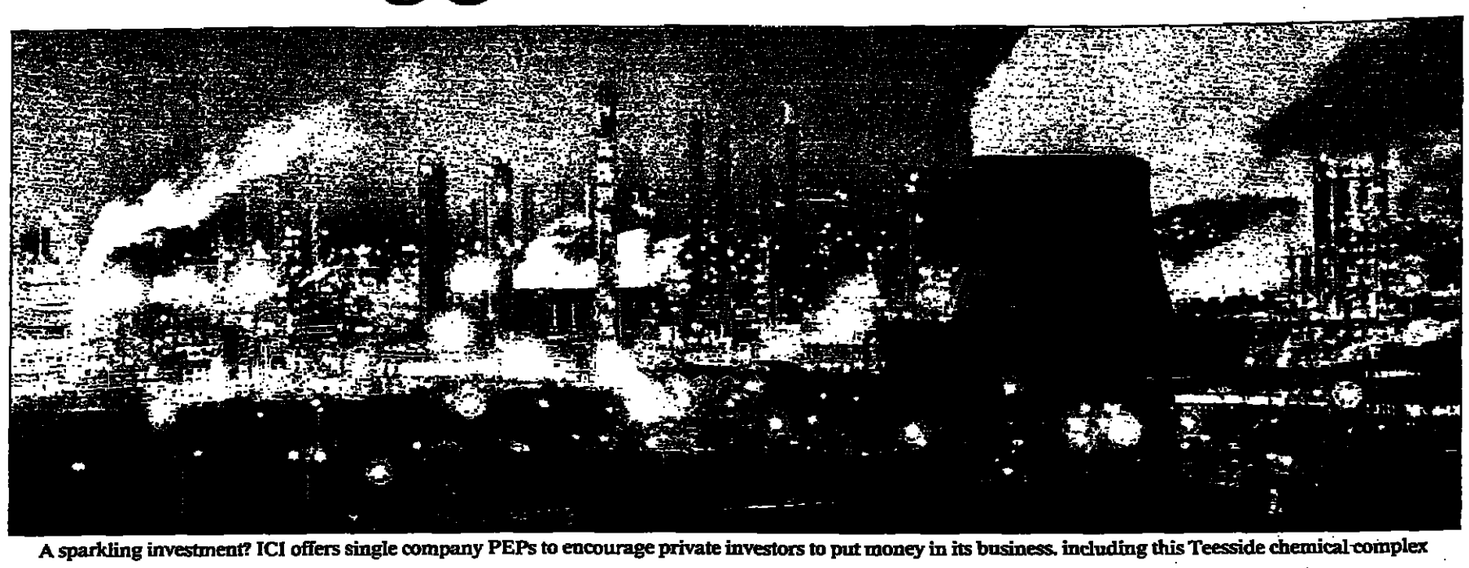
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Investing in a single company PEP can incur cheaper management charges, but you should choose your company with care, warns **Jill Insley**

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Single company PEPs were introduced to allow shares acquired through an employee share scheme to be transferred into a PEP free of capital gains tax. However this type of plan is open to anyone who wants to invest up to £3,000 in the shares of a single company.

Corporate PEPs allow the investor to put up to £6,000 into the shares of any one company, but the investor must choose between this type of PEP or a conventional plan which invests in a number of shares, or PEP-authorised unit and investment trusts.

The single company PEP can be used in conjunction with either a conventional or corporate PEP, allowing the opportunity for tax free investment of £9,000 each tax year.

More than 100 companies, including Hanson, Tate & Lyle, and ICI, now offer corporate and single company PEPs as a means to encourage *private investors to take* stakes in their shares. Often the plans are subsidised by the companies, and invariably levy lower charges than conventional PEPs.

The ICI single company PEP, for example, in line with all the single company PEPs managed by the Bradford & Bingley Building Society, makes an initial charge of £15 plus VAT, an annual charge of 0.5 per cent plus VAT to a maximum of £20 and dealing charges of 0.25 per cent. In comparison, a conventional PEP can typically make an initial charge of 5 per cent plus VAT, and 1.5 per cent plus VAT annually (adding up to £176.25 and £52.87 on an equivalent £3,000 PEP) plus dealing charges ranging from 0.2 per cent to 1.75 per cent.

Such schemes are usually managed by third party companies, usually banks, building societies, stock brokers or investment company.

Some managers also offer single company schemes which allow the investor to select his PEP from a wide or unlimited range of quoted companies.

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Stockbrokers Sheppards offers a completely free choice of listed company shares. Its single company PEP has no initial charge; annual charges are 0.5 per cent plus VAT and dealing charges 0.5 per cent.

If an investor already holds shares in a company, it makes good sense to move them into a corporate or single company PEP to avoid income tax on dividends. However the shares must be sold, the resulting cash paid to the PEP manager who will then rebuy the shares through the PEP. This process, known as bed and breakfasting, may *incur capital gains tax* for the investor if the shares have increased in value.

Employees who acquire shares *through their companies'* employees shares schemes are exempt from this process if they switch the shares into the scheme within 90 days.

However, the uninitiated investor should treat these schemes with caution. A single company or corporate PEP is only as good as the share it holds. If the investor makes the wrong choice of share, the low initial and mangement charges will fade into insignificance.

In addition, shareholders who want to take an active interest in the companies in which they invest by attending annual general meetings and receiving company reports and accounts should check out the terms of the corporate or single company PEP first. Because the plan manager is considered legally to be the shareholder in the company, only he will be automatically invited to attend such meetings or receive reports. The investor may be required to pay an additional sum for such privileges, making investment through a PEP less cost effective.

For example, most of the single company PEPs managed by Bradford & Bingley charge £25 plus *VAT if the investor wants to attend* the AGM, while National Westminster Bank charges £10 plus VAT.

Knowing your bulls from your bears in the money markets

The investment world is made up of bulls and bears, PEPs and Tessas. You might not want one, but you do need to know what they are.

ABC GUIDE TO WHEELING AND DEALING TERMS

☐ **Bear:** Pessimist who thinks share prices are about to fall and sells before things get worse.

☐ **Bed and Breakfast:** Selling shares and buying back exactly the same ones just before the end of the tax year so you crystallise a capital gain which, if it continued in the new tax year, would make you liable to capital gains tax. Sometimes used to establish a loss which can be offset against profits in the coming year.

☐ **Bid/Offer spread:** The gap between the buying and selling prices of shares and unit trusts which makes up the charges and profits for the market-maker or unit trust group.

☐ **Bid price:** The price you receive when you sell shares or unit trusts.

☐ **Bonds:** A wide range of different investments come under *this catch-all name*, from Premium Bonds to equity bonds. The true bond is a fixed-interest investment, such as gilts, which can be bought and sold at any time.

☐ **Bull:** An optimist who thinks share prices are about to rise and buys in the hope of making a quick profit.

☐ **Capital shares:** One class of split capital shares which concentrate on producing good capital growth.

☐ **Collective investments:** Unit trusts and investment *trusts, because the contributions* from many small investors are lumped together so fund managers can buy large shareholdings on their behalf.

☐ **Commission:** Money paid to a sales representative which is deducted from investors' contributions.

☐ **Debenture stock:** Fixed-interest securities which pay a fixed rate of interest for a fixed term, after which the capital is repaid. If the investment trust is wound up, debentures are repaid before all other classes of shares.

☐ **Derivatives:** A collective name for futures and options, which are used as a hedge and protect investments against the unexpected.

☐ **Discount:** The difference between an investment trust's share price and its net asset value when the share price is lower.

☐ **Discretionary service:** Offered by stockbrokers who take over a client's portfolio and use their own discretion about what to buy and sell.

☐ ***Equities:*** *Another name for* shares.

☐ **Gilts:** Government gilt-edged securities which repay a fixed amount on a given date and meanwhile pay a set amount of interest. They may be traded during their life.

☐ **Growth investment:** One that aims to increase the capital invested rather than produce a good income.

☐ **Hurdle rate:** The rate of growth, shown as a percentage, which shares must achieve each year between now and the wind-up date if they are to earn enough to repay the promised redemption price.

☐ **Income shares:** One class of split capital shares; they take most of the dividends from the portfolio.

☐ **Investment trusts:** Quoted companies whose business is *dealing in shares and making* profits for its own shareholders.

☐ **Managed fund:** A general investment fund where the manager has wide scope for investing in a large number of different areas.

☐ **Offer price:** The price you pay to buy shares or unit trusts.

☐ **Ordinary shares:** The most common and simplest type of *investment trust share which* pay a varying amount of dividend and try to produce *capital growth as well.*

☐ **Personal Equity Plan (PEP):** A tax-free way to buy shares, mainly in UK and European companies, but sometimes including a small amount of other foreign shareholdings or gilts.

☐ **Preference shares:** Shares which give a fixed rate of dividend and take priority over ordinary shares in the pay out if a company folds.

☐ ***Savings scheme:*** *Comparatively* cheap way of buying investment trust shares; you deal directly with the management group and avoid using a stockbroker.

☐ **Securities:** Stocks and shares.

☐ **Share exchange:** A service which takes your small holdings of individual shares and converts them very cheaply into investment trust shares.

☐ ***Split capital trusts:*** An investment trust where the shares are divided into two or *more different classes* of shares, often income shares, capital shares and zeros.

☐ **Tessa:** Tax-free deposit account where no more than £9,000 over five years may be invested. Interest can be withdrawn but tax is withheld until the fifth anniversary.

☐ **Tracker funds:** Funds designed to match a share index, often the FT-A All shares, so it is comparatively safe; you will *lose money if the index falls* but not as seriously as other funds.

☐ **Warrants:** Warrants are not shares but they give the holder the right to subscribe for shares at a future date at a price fixed when bought.

☐ **Zeros:** One class of split capital shares which pay no dividends but concentrate on capital growth.

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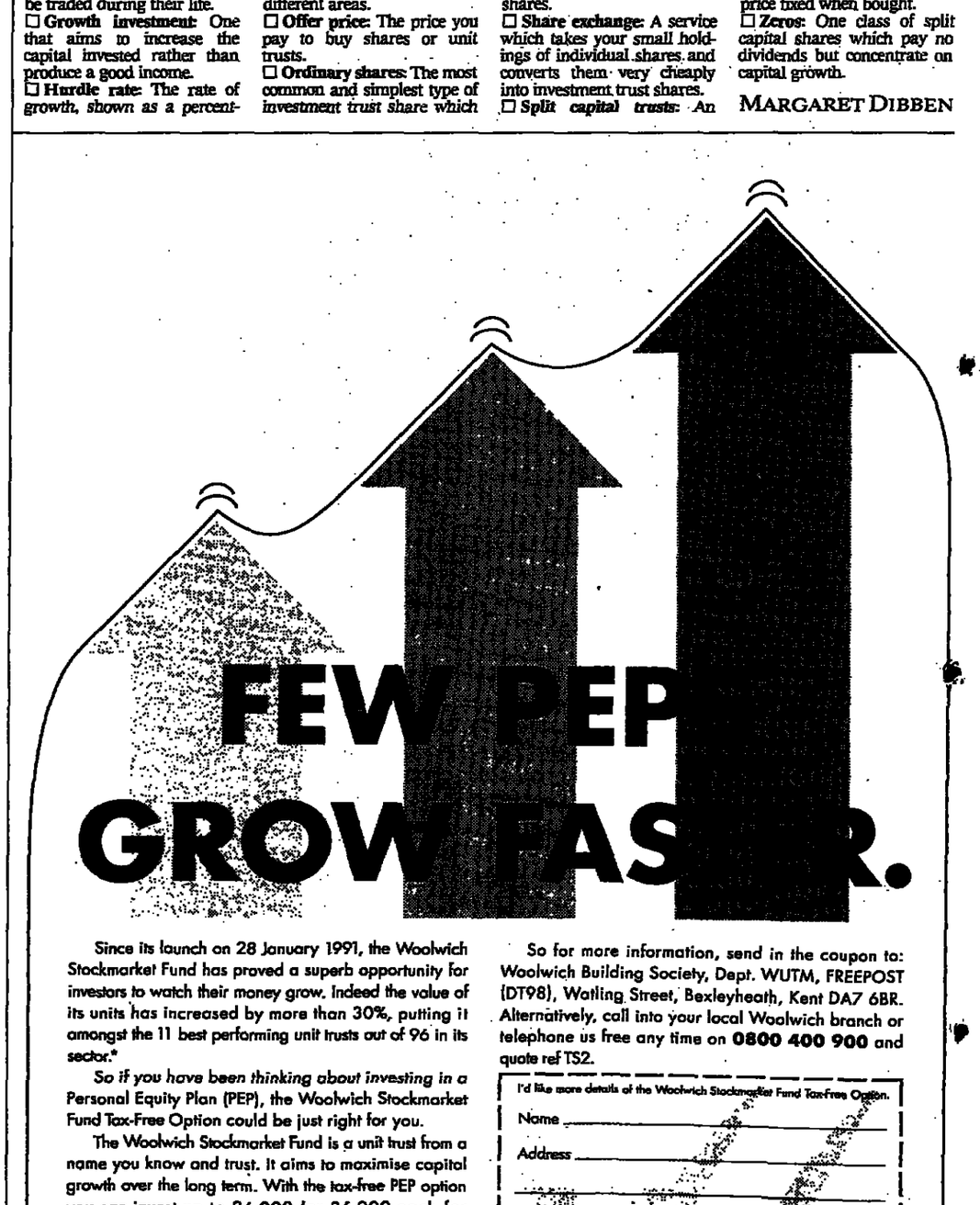
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50 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL
0345 717373

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Masterrust	119.80	128.10	+0.30	1.15
International	93.22	99.16	+0.74	.53
Dividend Gth	56.37	59.96	-0.32	4.69
Global Gth Sec	62.47	66.45	+0.14	2.36
Biblical Growth	64.10	68.19	-0.48	2.32
High Inc Equity	149.10	158.60	-0.30	4.96
Worldwide Bond	271.00	287.20	-1.20	3.66
Gilts Fixed Inc	131.90	139.80	+0.80	5.72

ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ
0224 633070 Dealing: 0800 833580
59 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7QQ
071 374 4801

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Amer Inc Gth	44.12	46.57	+0.17	0.67
European	82.30	87.23	+0.01	...
European Inc	78.67	83.57	-0.22	1.80
Exempt	895.20	921.60	-9.60	3.33
Extra Inc	43.69	47.64	-0.13	4.85
F Dist Emerg Ec	85.17	91.81	-1.38	0.71

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon, SN1 1EL
0793 514514
Dealing: 0793 610366

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
High Inc	385.70	412.30	+4.10	3.99
Equity Inc	212.90	227.50	+1.80	4.00
High Yield	237.30	253.60	+1.70	4.04
Balanced	630.20	673.60	-1.40	2.61
American Inc	49.60	53.02	+0.12	3.04
Wld Asset Val	41.16	44.00	+0.78	1.02
Japan	206.20	219.70	+10.80	0.01
Secs of Am	417.50	444.40	+0.90	0.57

AXA EQUITY & LAW
St George's Hse, Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1QD. 0203 553231

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
UK Growth Acc	309.80	329.60	-3.20	2.78
-do- Inc	219.50	233.60	-2.20	2.78
Higher Inc Acc	575.40	612.30	-2.20	3.72
-do- Inc	349.50	371.90	-1.40	3.72
Gilt/Fxd Int Acc	179.50	189.50	+0.90	6.03
-do- Inc	94.10	99.38	+0.50	6.03
Nth America	252.70	268.90	-6.30	...
Far East	305.80	325.40	+5.00	0.21
Europe	227.10	241.60	-1.10	0.99
General Inc	423.40	450.50	-2.10	2.48
-do- Acc	464.50	494.20	-2.30	2.48
Brit Excell	62.43	66.42	-0.75	2.81
Brit Fndmnls Inc	68.69	73.08	-0.06	4.71
Brit Fndmnls Acc	88.54	94.20	-0.07	4.71

BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD
Gredley Hse, 1-11 Broadway, London E15
081 534 5544

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Capital	104.60	112.00	-1.20	2.94
Euro Gth Inc	117.20	124.40	+0.31	1.86
Extra Inc	106.60	114.00	-0.10	4.91
General	239.00	255.60	-1.80	3.02
Gilt Fxd Inc	59.43	61.44	+0.47	8.06
Income	492.60	526.80	+0.40	4.37

BARING FUND MANAGERS
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ
081 658 9082

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American Gth	94.91	100.80	+0.83	0.10
Amer Smllr Cos	126.10	134.90	+3.80	...
Convertibles	52.85	56.52	-0.15	7.10
Eastern	184.30	198.60	-4.70	1.60
Equity Income	83.21	88.52	-0.32	6.30
European Gth	230.60	245.20	-1.30	1.50
Europe	150.90	161.50	+0.90	1.58
Exempt	83.56	85.76	+0.38	3.60
German Growth	61.30	65.22	+0.96	0.70
Global Growth	110.10	117.30	-0.20	...
Japan Growth	208.90	223.70	+8.40	...
Japan Sunrise	180.20	192.60	+7.30	...
Portfolio	120.20	128.60	-0.40	3.20
-do- Acc	214.30	229.30	-0.60	3.20
UK Growth	83.12	88.42	-0.08	2.80
UK Smaller Cos	86.21	92.20	-1.27	1.90
Select Managers	64.03	68.53	-0.11	2.00

BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MANAGERS LTD
190 West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA
041 332 3132

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Balan Gth Acc	104.92	112.22	-0.63	1.87
-do- Inc	95.39	102.02	-0.57	1.87
Global Bond	29.63	31.43	-0.07	5.37
High Yield Acc	54.50	58.29	-0.06	3.50
-do- Inc	39.13	41.85	-0.05	3.50
Smlr Cos Acc	94.27	100.83	+0.09	1.35
-do- Inc	86.65	92.67	+0.07	1.35
Amer Gth Acc	59.82	63.98	-0.37	...
-do- Inc	58.70	62.78	-0.37	...
Euro Gth Acc	104.48	111.75	+1.16	1.07
-do- Inc	103.05	110.22	+1.15	1.07
Mngd P folio	35.90	38.40	-0.02	1.29
Pacific Growth	102.30	109.42	-1.36	0.58
Intl Spec Opps	91.19	97.52	+0.59	0.67

BROWN SHIPLEY
9/17 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath
0444 458144

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Financial	130.10	138.60	+1.30	3.02
Smaller Cos Acc	307.60	329.10	+1.20	...
Smaller Cos Inc	178.90	191.40	+0.70	1.13
High Inc	71.75	77.14	+0.15	6.79
Income	129.00	138.10	-1.20	3.98
Mngd P folio Inc	94.91	101.10	-1.40	1.97
-do- Acc	179.40	191.00	-2.70	...
North American	108.10	115.10	+2.60	0.19

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT
Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7JJ. 071 247 4542
Dealing: 071 247 7474

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Fellowship Tst	60.75	64.63	-1.18	2.14
-do- Acc	68.48	72.86	-1.32	2.14
Income Fund 5	212.30	225.90	-2.30	4.23
-do- Acc	493.90	525.50	-5.50	4.23
Inv Portfolio	67.19	69.63	-0.06	2.17
-do- Acc	75.88	78.63	-0.07	2.17
Smaller Cos	129.70	138.00	+0.10	1.53
-do- Acc	156.90	167.00	+0.10	1.53
High Inc P folio	60.51	62.71	-0.33	4.63

CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD
PO Box 105, Manchester M60 4AH
061 837 5060

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Environ	133.60	142.20	-0.20	1.85
UK Growth	145.70	155.00	-1.60	2.26
UK Income	124.10	132.10	-0.10	4.16

CANNON LINCOLN FUND MANAGERS
1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB
081 902 8876

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
SE Asia	86.01	91.99	-1.42	0.99
Growth	43.13	46.13	-0.34	2.90
Income	53.55	57.27	+0.69	4.19
Far East	49.72	53.46	+1.22	...
North American	88.51	95.17	+0.57	...
Global	86.95	92.99	+0.64	0.85
European	71.78	76.66	-0.34	1.00
Japan	117.90	126.10	+4.30	0.01
Intl Currency Bd	60.39	63.09	+0.27	3.01
UK Cap Gwth	79.24	84.75	-0.62	1.99

CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
33 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF
Enquiries: 061 236 5685 Dealing: 061 236 5362
Capability Trusts

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American Gen	132.10	140.60	+0.50	0.29
-do- Acc	140.50	149.50	+0.50	0.29
European	67.31	71.29	+0.17	0.83
-do- Acc	69.76	73.89	+0.18	0.83
Far East Gen	68.39	72.76	+2.17	...
-do- Acc	68.39	72.76	+2.17	...
Glenfriars	258.00	274.50	-0.20	0.69
-do- Acc	290.50	309.10	-0.20	0.69

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Growth	381.90	408.10	-2.10	2.25
-do- Acc	653.10	698.60	-3.80	2.25
Income Growth	369.90	393.60	-9.80	3.83
-do- Acc	502.90	535.10	-1.30	3.83
Master Portfolio	9874.0	10039.0	-39.00	2.17
-do- Acc	11269.0	11683.0	-54.00	2.17
Special Sits	86.41	91.93	-0.93	2.20
-do- Acc	102.14	108.66	-1.30	2.20
Exempt Fund				
High Yield	1203.0	1240.0	-3.00	4.34
-do- Acc	1420.0	1464.0	-3.00	4.34

CAPEL GAMES UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU
071 955 5050. Dealing: 071 955 5055

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American Index	195.60	208.40	...	1.59
Capital	528.70	565.30	-2.50	2.40
Eurotrack 100	132.90	140.90	-0.40	1.47
Euro Gth	83.02	88.52	+0.54	1.27
Far East Growth	95.39	101.88	+1.30	0.07
Global Bond	23.78	25.07	+0.06	6.57
Hong Kong	82.19	87.72	-1.88	0.78
Income	502.70	536.50	-1.00	3.93
Intl Growth	75.57	80.65	+0.05	0.97
Japan Growth	286.00	305.20	+12.60	...
Japan Smllr Cos	36.41	38.86	+1.38	...
Japan Index	83.63	89.25	+2.30	0.22
Nth American	443.00	472.80	+1.30	0.46
S pore Mly Gth	54.38	58.04	-0.51	...
The Footsie Fd	104.80	110.70	-0.70	2.77
Tiger Index	145.00	154.70	-1.30	0.60
Trixie Index	106.20	113.30	...	2.53
UK Index	121.00	129.10	-0.80	3.10

CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
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071 606 0708

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American P folio	86.04	91.94	+0.46	1.00
European P folio	73.00	77.76	-0.45	1.38
Japanese P folio	66.95	72.45	+3.00	...
Pacific P folio	104.57	112.45	+0.23	1.07
Cazenove P folio	71.52	76.50	-0.21	3.00
UK Income Gth	64.12	68.83	-0.12	5.00
Utility & Bond	50.82	51.50	-0.25	7.00

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2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
071 588 1815

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Investment Fd	610.20	615.15	...	4.84
Fixed Int	156.95	157.70	...	9.19
Deposit	5.70	...	...	...

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	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Income	601.99	607.12	...	4.92
-do- Acc	2368.9	2376.6	...	...
Deposit	5.60	...	...	...
Fxd Int Inc	127.44	127.45	...	9.10
-do- Acc	172.60	172.98	...	...

CITY FINANCIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge, SE1
071 407 5966

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
City Fin Assets	62.00	66.21	+0.26	2.28
Beckman Intl	84.05	89.68	+0.65	3.01
Friars Hse Inc	176.02	189.27	+1.73	6.16
Friars Hse Cap	246.48	265.03	-0.28	2.75

COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS
Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR9 2AQ. Enquiries: 081 686 2222
Dealing: 081 686 9818

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Smaller Cos	36.72	39.06	-0.17	1.62
-do- Acc	41.37	44.01	-0.19	1.62
Quilter	121.19	128.93	-1.21	2.65
-do- Acc	134.60	143.19	-1.35	2.65

EAGLE STAR UNIT MANAGERS
Bath Road, Cheltenham, GL53 7LQ
0242 577 555

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Oriental Op Acc	82.90	88.19	-0.70	0.90
Japanese Acc	66.44	70.68	+3.12	...
UK Balncd Inc	124.60	132.60	-1.80	2.53
-do- Acc	147.50	156.50	-2.10	2.53
UK Growth Acc	203.70	216.70	-2.70	2.23
UK High Inc	132.50	141.00	-0.60	5.48
-do- Acc	160.50	170.70	-0.70	5.48
N America Acc	115.60	123.00	+1.80	0.32
European Acc	158.70	168.80	+0.60	0.47
UK Pref F/I Inc	60.69	64.39	+0.38	8.78
-do- Acc	99.90	105.00	+0.58	8.78
Intl Sp Sits Acc	49.73	52.90	+0.95	0.21
Environmntl Opp	70.77	75.29	-0.47	1.34

EDINBURGH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Donaldson House, 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD. 031 313 1000

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American	114.20	121.20	...	0.41
UK Smlr Cos	202.80	215.50	-1.10	1.16
Eurofund	37.68	39.91	-0.11	1.00
Mngd Exempt	166.00	173.00	+2.40	3.83
Growth Inc	219.20	227.30	-0.40	3.30
High Dist	142.20	151.30	-0.20	4.96
International	333.30	343.50	-0.40	0.85
Intl Income	80.97	86.44	-0.68	3.01
Pacific	58.66	62.33	+1.23	0.48
Smllr Jap Cos	76.84	81.64	+3.13	...
Tokyo	214.40	227.80	+8.60	...
Japan Exempt	119.50	122.70	+2.70	0.42
Sm Jap Exempt	603.10	619.60	+18.30	0.08
Equity Income	121.10	128.70	+0.90	3.89
Formerly Target				
Euro Spec Sits	140.80	149.00	-0.60	0.54
Financial	42.48	45.08	+0.44	2.64
Global Opps Inc	90.36	96.01	+0.50	2.09
-do- Acc	93.66	99.51	+0.57	2.09
Gold Gen Inc	33.01	36.32	-0.97	0.76
-do- Acc	101.80	108.20	-1.80	0.76
Japan General	165.60	176.00	+4.50	...
Preference	22.14	23.52	+0.29	7.74
UK Capital	104.40	110.90	+0.30	3.04
Worldwide Cap	198.80	211.20	+0.80	3.01

ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT
41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU
071 373 7266

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Endurance	176.80	188.10	+1.60	0.50

EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.
Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 7QW
0296 431480

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Pelican	104.21	109.69	-0.60	3.25
High Income	120.96	127.33	+0.02	4.74
Tst of Inv Tsts	150.89	158.83	+1.20	2.17
Special Sits	85.53	89.81	-0.54	2.38
North American	104.79	110.30	+0.07	0.87
Far Eastern	250.43	263.61	+2.31	1.76
Intl Growth	99.28	104.50	+0.29	1.25
European	64.41	67.80	+0.33	2.09
Smaller Cos	68.33	71.93	-0.92	3.07

FAMILY INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD
16 West Street, Brighton, BN1 2RE
0273 720 787

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
United Charities	224.90	239.20	+2.30	3.74

FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD
Oakhill House, 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ. 0800 414181

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Cash Unit Tst	100.00	100.00	...	5.30
European Tst	125.40	133.40	+0.80	...
High Income	26.11	27.47	+0.15	5.36

FOREIGN & COLONIAL
8th Floor, Exchange Hse, Primrose St, London EC2A 2NY. 071 628 8000

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
European	94.19	99.46	-0.34	0.81
Far Eastern	141.30	151.10	+3.30	...
Overs Income	90.24	96.36	+0.09	3.04
UK Growth	92.87	99.33	-1.47	0.78
UK Income	99.95	106.90	-1.20	3.20
US Smaller Cos	262.80	280.90	+6.80	0.08

FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3XJ
071 374 4100

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Amer Gth	49.21	52.28	+0.34	...
-do- Acc	49.21	52.28	+0.34	...
Am Smllr Co	442.80	473.50	+6.00	...
-do- Acc	452.40	483.70	+6.00	...
Capital	288.90	307.30	-2.50	3.00
-do- Acc	402.40	428.00	-3.00	3.00
Conti Smllr Cos	46.82	50.41	-0.02	0.48
-do- Acc	48.96	52.70	-0.02	0.48
Convertible	115.30	122.60	+0.20	5.78
-do- Acc	218.90	232.80	+0.50	5.78
Emg Mark	54.03	57.72	-0.23	...
-do- Acc	54.03	57.72	-0.23	...
European	95.15	101.50	+0.10	0.92
-do- Acc	99.39	105.80	+0.10	0.92
Extra Income	290.10	308.50	-8.10	4.11
-do- Acc	415.20	441.60	-1.80	4.11
Financial	106.90	116.70	+0.90	0.52
-do- Acc	114.00	122.10	+0.90	0.52
Health Fund Inc	123.00	131.40	+1.30	...
-do- Acc	123.00	131.40	+1.30	...
Income Tst	178.80	190.10	-1.30	3.83
-do- Acc	253.40	269.50	-1.80	3.83
Intl Growth	326.20	348.30	+3.60	...
-do- Acc	362.30	386.80	+4.30	...
Japan Gen	189.50	202.60	+8.10	...
-do- Acc	191.40	204.60	+8.10	...
Mngd P folio Inc	91.58	96.39	+0.02	0.86
-do- Acc	96.24	101.30	...	0.86
Monthly Income	153.70	163.40	-0.80	3.90
Qnty Inc	50.03	53.21	+0.22	5.75
-do- Acc	50.15	53.34	+0.22	5.75
Recovery	301.70	322.60	+3.30	0.52
-do- Acc	354.50	379.00	+5.00	0.52
UK Growth	46.16	49.35	-0.63	2.64
-do- Acc	46.18	49.35	-0.63	2.64

FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS
Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts. SP1 3SH
Dealing: 0722 421411
Administration: 0722 411622

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Equity Dist	344.95	366.97	-1.69	2.66
-do- Acc	704.30	749.35	-3.45	2.66
Euro Gth Dist	109.03	115.99	+0.03	0.77
-do- Acc	112.28	119.45	+0.03	0.77
Fixed Int Dist	133.58	141.29	+1.04	6.17
-do- Acc	225.89	238.96	+1.76	6.17
Intl Gth Dist	78.92	83.96	+0.59	0.30
-do- Acc	81.93	87.16	+0.62	0.70
Nth Amer Dist	171.65	181.83	+1.56	0.93
-do- Acc	186.90	197.99	+1.70	0.93
Pac Basin Dist	253.75	269.95	+2.53	0.09
-do- Acc	258.42	274.92	+2.59	0.09
Stewardship Dist	300.48	319.66	-1.89	1.76
-do- Acc	358.29	381.16	-1.90	1.76
Stwd Inc Dist	64.21	68.31	-0.52	3.19
-do- Acc	79.44	84.51	-0.65	3.19
N Am Stwd Dist	99.74	106.11	+0.59	...
-do- Acc	105.51	112.25	+0.63	...

GT UNIT MANAGERS
Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, Lond EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567
Dealing: 071 626 9431

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Am Sp Sits	142.20	152.10	+2.40	...
European	413.90	439.50	-1.00	0.97
Far East General	231.60	247.60	+2.30	0.29
Germany	100.80	106.90	...	0.43
Global Assets In	69.96	74.70	-0.29	2.16
Global Assets Ac	73.97	78.99	-0.30	2.11
Income Inc	125.40	134.20	-0.10	6.56
International	284.40	304.20	+3.00	0.92
Intl Income	78.20	83.16	+0.35	4.79
Japan General	388.50	413.10	+10.50	...
Smllr Cos Div	45.61	48.79	-0.34	6.07
UK Capital Inc	168.00	179.70	-0.70	4.00
-do- Acc	287.30	307.30	-1.20	3.65
UK Spec Sits	78.26	83.71	+0.01	1.51
US General	122.10	130.00	+2.10	0.11
W wide Spec Sits	120.60	128.90	+2.10	0.11

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
Gartmore House, 16/18 Monument Street, London EC3R 8AJ. 071 623 1212
Dealing: 0277 264421. Services: 0800 289 336

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	44.53	47.61	+0.08	1.53
Cash Trust	129.42	129.42	+0.10	5.38
Fract Inv Inc	104.66	112.36	-0.20	4.09
-do- Acc	224.72	240.99	-0.44	4.09
UK Smaller Cos	103.75	110.83	-2.56	0.83
Income Funds				
Preference Share	26.61	28.46	+1.29	8.15
High Inc	32.01	34.24	-0.25	4.79
UK Equity Inc	128.31	137.23	-1.24	3.96
Global Bond	30.20	31.29	+0.06	5.72
International Funds				
Gold Intl	95.16	102.05	+0.97	0.38
Frontier Markets	44.13	47.32	+0.20	0.44
Global Inc Gth	120.61	128.66	-0.98	1.91
UK Intl	117.03	125.17	-0.11	0.18
Overseas Funds				
American	130.44	139.39	-0.23	0.44
European	82.54	87.57	-0.31	0.62
Euro Sel Opps	98.55	105.17	+0.25	0.69

GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT
Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR. 071 378 7979
Dealing: 071 588 0526

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Intl Growth	130.03	139.06	+1.18	0.37
American Gth	133.13	142.39	+3.63	...
European Gth	67.34	71.70	+0.29	0.42
Japan Gth	83.09	88.87	+3.68	...
Greater China	144.24	154.27	+0.59	2.85
Pacific Strategy	126.80	135.62	-0.92	0.25
UK Prog Inc	72.85	76.70	-1.44	4.61
British Growth	47.63	50.52	-0.21	2.70
UK Small Cos	44.36	47.44	-0.49	2.12

GRE UNIT MANAGERS
36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE
071 538 9666

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Cash	131.70	131.70	+0.10	4.86
Gilt Fund	124.90	132.60	+1.20	5.84
Growth Equity	286.80	305.80	-2.00	2.07
Guaranteed	426.50	455.60	-1.90	2.16
Income Trust	109.70	117.10	-0.30	2.80
International	160.60	171.50	+2.10	0.16
Japan Trust	131.20	140.10	+5.60	...
Nth American	260.50	278.30	+2.40	0.40
Pacific	376.90	402.60	-2.50	...
European	345.80	369.40	+3.20	0.63

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0800 858866

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Global Adv Inc	35.29	37.41	+0.12	1.63
-do- Acc	36.94	39.16	+0.13	1.63
Inc Adv Inc	29.36	31.13	+0.05	3.93
-do- Acc	30.81	32.66	+0.04	3.93

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5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex
Enquiries: 0277 227300
Dealing: 0277 690390

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Canadian	81.49	87.30	+0.52	1.20
Equity Income	112.20	119.40	-0.30	3.46
European	134.00	141.90	-0.10	1.26
Intl Situation	76.39	81.27	+0.11	...
Japanese	148.20	157.20	+5.90	...
North American	98.94	105.00	-0.10	0.05
Scandinavian	116.60	123.30	+2.40	...
Smaller Cos	30.16	32.09	-0.23	1.93

HENDERSON
PO Box 2157, Kings House, 101-135 Kings Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4ET
Enq: 0277 264390 Dealing: 0277 234712

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Amer Smaller	91.87	97.59	+2.26	...
Asian Enterprise	127.73	136.59	-3.33	0.75
Australian	145.29	155.31	-0.06	1.17
European	375.58	397.78	+0.27	1.28
European Inc	72.22	76.57	-0.14	2.68
Euro Sml Co	118.76	126.17	-0.11	0.81
Extra Income	261.27	278.14	+0.46	4.79
Family of Funds	70.99	75.77	+0.29	1.01
Global Bond	56.54	60.47	-0.54	7.75
Global Recov	...	...	...	...
High Inc	287.80	307.65	-3.00	4.33
Income Gth	238.04	250.31	-2.18	3.64
-do- Acc	607.97	647.48	-5.63	3.64
International	232.20	247.50	+0.37	0.88
Japan Spec Sit	253.80	270.00	+8.46	...
Japan	219.96	233.89	+9.44	...
N Amer	227.30	241.73	+2.43	0.20
Pacific Smllr Cos	191.88	207.31	-1.54	0.25
Pref Gilt	46.06	49.53	-0.37	8.53
Smaller Cos Div	170.90	182.77	-0.15	3.89
Special Sits	260.34	278.56	-3.86	1.74
-do- Acc	401.15	429.23	-5.94	1.74
Best of British	54.60	58.48	-0.60	2.61
Spirit of the East	61.04	65.23	-1.11	0.57
Henderson TR				
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American Gth	81.59	87.26	+1.69	...
Euro Spec Sits	46.75	49.78	+0.73	1.45
-do- Acc	49.49	52.71	+0.78	1.45
Far East Opps	32.34	34.60	-0.39	0.26
-do- Acc	33.39	35.62	-0.50	0.26
General Growth	96.08	102.89	-1.36	2.84
Global Tech	126.46	135.31	+1.32	...
Income Growth	100.21	107.17	-1.21	4.00
Income Monthly	58.97	60.92	-0.23	5.77
Japan Growth	86.56	92.02	+3.19	...
Overseas Gth	78.36	83.46	-0.62	1.18
Smaller Cos	74.29	79.49	-0.65	1.72
Special Opps	106.34	114.34	-0.06	1.35

HILL SAMUEL UT MANAGERS
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	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
British	85.37	91.30	-0.90	2.20
Capital	153.50	164.10	-1.40	1.86
Dollar	312.80	334.50	-1.80	0.01
European	196.00	209.60	-1.70	0.64
Far East	241.60	258.30	-2.20	0.29
Financial	725.60	776.00	+8.70	1.77
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	26.22	27.25	-0.18	7.73
High Yield	100.60	107.50	-0.30	4.50
Income	133.30	142.50	-0.10	3.39

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	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Intl	216.90	231.90	-0.30	0.20
Japan Tech	76.55	81.87	+4.28	...
Nat Resources	63.12	67.50	-1.35	0.47
Security	291.30	311.30	-2.90	1.86
Smaller Cos	111.80	119.50	-0.80	1.18

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071 626 3434. Dealing: 0800 010733

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
UK Specialist Trusts				
Smaller Cos	25.25	26.99	-0.20	1.54
Special Features	27.21	28.91	-0.25	1.61
-do- Acc	32.13	34.13	-0.29	1.61
General Funds				
UK Growth	51.93	55.60	-0.61	1.92
Assets Earnings	68.59	72.87	-1.91	1.95
do Acc	81.64	86.74	-1.15	1.95
Managed Invest	88.67	94.73	+0.64	1.16
Rupert Children	73.76	78.67	-1.05	1.84
High Income Funds				
Cashbox	50.84	50.84	+0.04	4.37
Extra Inc	78.97	84.49	-1.83	4.81
Gilt	28.07	29.53	+0.25	6.68
Income Gth	38.58	41.20	-0.06	3.42
Minister	77.99	79.89	+0.92	7.70
Preference	17.70	18.80	+0.04	6.37
UK Income	307.50	328.60	...	2.92
Sector Specialist Funds				
Fincl Sec	58.95	62.63	+0.34	1.21
Property Shares	64.38	69.03	+0.71	1.70
Exempt Funds				
Exempt	145.70	152.80	+0.80	3.86
European Acc	115.10	121.90	+0.10	1.72
European Dist	109.60	116.10	+0.20	1.72
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Gth	49.58	52.76	+0.37	0.89
European Perf	116.80	123.60	+1.10	0.98
-do- Acc	118.60	125.90	+1.10	0.98
Euro Small Cos	21.42	22.81	+0.17	0.23
French Growth	66.10	70.37	-0.47	0.52
-do- Acc	70.61	75.17	-0.51	0.52
Hong K/China	70.56	74.96	-2.32	1.66
Intl Growth	53.00	56.31	+0.66	0.62
-do- Acc	53.00	56.31	+0.66	0.62
Japan Perf	35.85	38.09	+1.36	...
Accum Units	35.85	38.07	+1.36	...
Japan Smllr Cos	40.17	42.72	+1.43	...
Singapore Asean	81.59	86.68	-1.36	0.28
-do- Acc	82.09	87.22	-1.37	0.28
South East Asia	234.00	248.60	-3.60	0.96

KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUST LTD
10 Fenchurch Street, London EC3
071 956 6600. Dealing: 071 956 7354

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Income Trusts				
Cash Acc*	69.78	70.12	+0.05	5.16
Extra Income	52.35	55.69	+0.92	6.94

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Gilt Yield	120.50	127.10	+1.00	7.11
Global Income	199.90	212.70	-2.60	4.12
High Yield	132.10	140.50	-0.60	5.93
Smllr Cos Div	48.65	51.97	+0.16	4.01
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	92.03	97.90	+0.23	...
North American	77.38	82.32	+0.15	0.41
European	129.60	137.60	-0.40	1.62
Euro Special	74.19	78.93	+0.07	1.61
General	257.50	273.90	-3.50	3.26
Japan	449.00	477.70	+13.80	...
Japanese Special	253.30	269.50	+7.70	...
Master Acc	218.00	231.90	+0.10	1.73
Pacific	273.30	292.80	+1.10	0.55
Smaller Cos	98.59	104.90	...	1.60

LAS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
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	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
European	74.20	78.94	-1.04	1.02
Extra Income	23.36	24.84	-0.32	3.59
Far East	28.55	30.37	+0.80	0.90
Income Gwth	71.18	75.72	-0.66	2.82
Intl Growth	52.67	56.03	+0.95	0.67
Japan	69.15	73.56	+2.97	...
Maximum Dist	99.22	102.20	-0.30	6.91
N Amer Equity	39.29	41.80	-0.75	0.22
UK Equity	84.97	90.39	-0.91	3.03

LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1. 071 407 5966

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Income Gth Inc	51.46	54.74	-0.24	4.57

LEGAL & GENERAL UT MANAGERS
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	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Equity Dist	418.30	445.00	-4.30	2.78
Equity Acc	793.90	844.60	-8.30	2.78
Equity Income	90.74	96.53	-0.13	4.82
European	96.09	102.20	-0.40	1.27
Far Eastern	188.90	201.00	+2.10	...
Fixed Interest	52.91	56.29	+0.59	6.30
Gilt	92.73	98.34	-0.78	6.25
Global Growth	68.35	72.71	-0.74	0.44
Intl Bond	57.63	61.31	+0.41	4.63
Japanese	75.32	80.13	+3.53	...
Overseas Equity	98.80	105.20	+1.10	0.05
Pacific Gth	87.28	92.85	-1.16	0.45

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	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Balanced	304.10	323.60	-2.20	2.93
-do- Acc	667.90	710.60	-4.70	2.93

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Conti Euro Gth	50.94	53.63	-0.05	1.34
-do- Acc	53.87	56.71	-0.05	1.34
Extra Inc	238.20	253.50	+2.50	3.89
-do- Acc	589.10	626.80	+6.40	3.89
German Gth	104.10	109.60	+2.30	0.16
-do- Acc	109.30	115.00	+2.50	0.16
Growth Port	485.60	516.60	-2.10	0.38
-do- Acc	485.60	516.60	-2.10	0.38
Income	446.70	475.30	-2.30	3.65
-do- Acc	1146.0	1220.0	-6.00	3.65
Income Port	489.90	521.20	-0.50	4.08
-do- Acc	494.70	526.30	-0.40	4.08
Japan Growth	103.30	109.90	+4.80	0.01
-do- Acc	103.70	110.40	+4.90	0.01
Master Trust	51.52	54.81	-0.10	1.38
-do- Acc	56.71	60.34	-0.12	1.38
N American Gen	188.00	200.00	+1.40	0.01
-do- Acc	217.20	231.10	+1.70	0.01
NAm Sm Co Rec	142.00	151.10	+2.90	0.01
-do- Acc	144.90	154.20	+2.90	0.01
Pacific Basin	202.10	215.00	-6.90	0.64
-do- Acc	213.60	227.30	-7.20	0.64
Small Cos Rec	312.60	329.10	...	2.33
-do- Acc	407.10	428.60	...	2.33
UK Growth	76.97	81.89	+0.52	2.39
-do- Acc	90.70	96.49	+0.62	2.39
Worldwide Gth	280.60	298.60	+0.70	0.28

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	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
General	76.42	82.00	-0.66	2.80
Income	61.13	65.39	-0.16	3.20
International	57.70	61.91	+0.83	0.70
American	59.96	64.33	+0.71	0.30
Japan	57.06	61.22	-2.50	...
Tst of Inv Trusts	57.53	61.73	+0.09	1.80

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	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American Gen	390.50	413.00	+3.10	0.90
-do- Acc	481.80	509.60	+3.80	0.90
American Rec	426.60	451.10	+6.60	0.20
-do- Acc	488.80	516.90	+7.60	0.20
Am Sm Co Acc	127.10	134.50	+4.40	...
Australia Acc	168.90	178.50	+2.10	1.07
Capital	671.80	710.40	-1.30	2.46
-do- Acc	741.30	783.90	-1.50	2.46
Commodity Acc	453.30	479.50	+4.00	0.74
Compnd Gth	822.60	869.60	-1.10	2.88
Dividend	35.30	37.30	...	4.17
-do- Acc	139.80	147.80	+0.10	4.17
Equity Inc	303.20	320.60	+0.50	4.67
European Div	60.30	63.80	+0.20	4.10
-do- Acc	68.10	72.00	+0.10	4.10
European Gen	387.20	409.50	-0.90	1.11
-do- Acc	486.30	514.40	+1.10	1.11

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Extra Yield	382.40	404.40	+2.60	4.29
-do- Acc	1118.1	1182.5	+7.20	4.29
Far Eastern	304.30	321.80	-0.30	0.74
-do- Acc	400.20	423.30	-0.30	0.74
Fund of Inv	513.20	542.70	+0.30	2.13
-do- Acc	936.10	989.90	+0.50	2.13
General	53.40	56.50	...	3.61
-do- Acc	142.70	151.10	...	3.61
Gilt Fxd Int	61.48	63.57	+0.57	7.61
do Acc	150.56	159.80	-1.42	7.61
Gold	62.70	66.30	-1.20	0.64
-do- Acc	73.80	78.00	-1.40	0.64
High Inc	25.20	26.60	+0.10	4.42
-do- Acc	95.30	100.70	+0.20	4.42
Intl Growth	69.30	73.30	+0.50	0.88
-do- Acc	119.40	126.40	+1.00	0.88
Intl Inc	95.80	101.30	-0.60	4.48
Japan Gen Acc	53.10	56.10	+2.30	...
Japan Smllr Cos	156.50	165.50	+5.70	...
Midland	55.50	58.70	+0.20	3.17
-do- Acc	177.60	187.90	+0.60	3.17
Recovery	36.50	38.60	+0.10	2.62
-do- Acc	58.00	61.50	+0.10	2.62
Second Gen	62.30	65.90	+0.30	3.37
-do- Acc	154.30	163.40	+0.80	3.37

MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
PO Box 400, Chester X, CH99 9QG
0244 680666

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Inv Port Inc	136.30	145.60	+0.10	2.07
-do- Acc	152.60	163.20	+0.20	2.07
UK Income	111.50	119.70	-0.40	2.60
-do- Acc	126.50	135.20	-0.50	2.60

MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD
Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2ES. 031 229 5252

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Emerg Mkts	83.31	89.10	-0.32	0.45
Far East (Pacific)	139.40	148.00	+4.40	0.62
Income Growth	71.38	75.78	-0.46	3.46
European	68.15	72.35	+0.27	1.19
Nth American	57.76	61.32	-1.69	0.99
UK Growth	75.19	79.82	-0.49	1.62
Intl Growth	96.18	102.10	+1.30	0.63
Charities	107.50	114.10	-0.10	3.85
Intl Income	68.01	72.22	+0.08	5.49
Japan	55.25	58.65	+2.23	...

MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD
33 King William St, EC4R 9AS. 071 280 2860

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American	190.80	202.70	+1.90	...
-do- Acc	203.90	216.70	+2.00	...
Cash	101.10	101.10	+0.10	5.61
-do- Acc	130.00	130.00	+0.10	5.61
European Gth	192.60	204.30	+0.90	0.78
-do- Acc	206.10	218.70	+0.90	0.78
General	458.80	486.20	-1.60	2.49
-do- Acc	867.00	924.90	-2.00	2.49
Global Dist	133.50	140.30	-0.60	5.30
-do- Acc	149.40	157.10	+0.70	5.20
Income	137.10	146.10	-0.10	4.66
-do- Acc	202.20	215.40	-0.20	4.66
International	393.20	419.00	-2.80	0.67
-do- Acc	522.90	557.30	+3.90	0.67
Japan	194.60	206.40	+8.60	...
-do- Acc	199.70	211.80	+8.80	...
New Europe	137.90	147.10	+0.10	1.76
-do- Acc	140.00	149.40	...	1.76
Recovery	288.40	307.70	-2.20	2.92
-do- Acc	364.50	388.80	-2.70	2.92
European Inc	72.81	77.21	+0.12	3.16
-do- Acc	94.09	99.74	+0.17	3.16
Brit Blue Chip	70.84	75.42	-0.54	3.34
-do- Acc	83.55	88.94	-0.65	3.34
Portfolio	73.46	78.12	-0.09	2.90
-do- Acc	83.52	88.81	-0.12	2.90
Gold General	145.80	156.80	+0.70	0.60
-do- Acc	149.10	160.40	+0.70	0.60
Pacific	92.10	98.25	-1.42	0.85
-do- Acc	97.87	104.40	-1.50	0.85

MIDLAND UNIT TRUSTS LTD
112 Eyre Street, Sheffield, S1 3RD
Dealing: 0742 520 280
Enquiries: 0742 529 676

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Balanced Dist	57.18	61.16	-0.11	2.89
-do- Acc	58.07	62.11	-0.10	2.89
British Dist	74.87	80.07	-0.94	2.13
-do- Acc	84.75	90.64	-1.07	2.13
European Gth	171.40	183.10	+0.40	0.25
-do- Acc	215.20	230.00	+0.50	0.25
Extra High Inc	68.37	73.12	+0.28	6.26
-do- Acc	122.20	130.70	+0.50	6.28
FT-SE 100 Index	46.74	49.99	-0.54	2.74
-do- Acc	47.42	50.72	-0.56	2.74
Gilt Fixed Int	56.77	59.09	+0.35	6.82
-do- Acc	151.50	157.70	+0.90	6.82
High Yield	216.90	232.00	-0.50	4.73
-do- Acc	509.30	544.70	-1.10	4.73
Income	275.70	294.90	-1.60	3.38
-do- Acc	573.20	613.10	-3.30	3.38
Japan Gth	362.00	387.20	+16.80	...
-do- Acc	382.00	408.60	+17.70	...
Mandarin Acc	99.28	106.20	-0.90	0.46

MORGAN GRENFELL INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD
20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT
Dealing: 071 826 0826
Enquiries: 071 826 0123

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American Gth	269.80	287.10	+3.10	...
Deposit Inc	99.97	99.97	+0.07	5.11
Deposit Acc	123.00	123.00	+0.08	5.11
Euro Gth Acc	282.10	301.60	+0.90	...
Europa	121.40	130.40	-0.10	...
Intl Gth	174.10	186.10	+1.70	...
Japan Tracker	81.53	86.38	+3.28	...
UK Equity Inc	147.00	158.30	-0.40	4.17
-do- Acc	180.30	194.10	-0.50	4.17
UK Ind Tracker	140.60	150.80	-1.30	3.19
US Eq Ind Trkr	193.90	205.70	+1.20	1.43
-do- Acc	205.10	217.60	+1.30	1.43
Asian Trader	159.10	172.50	-1.00	0.45

MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT
7 West Nile St, Glasgow G2 2PX. 0345 090 933

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American Inc	170.20	174.40	-1.20	2.16
European	60.13	61.38	-0.09	1.81
Olympiad	56.06	57.47	-0.88	0.37
Global Bond	48.12	48.69	+0.39	6.34
Smaller Cos	67.84	70.94	+0.84	0.92
Equity Income	89.50	91.94	-0.79	5.19
UK Growth	82.09	84.67	-0.12	1.29

NM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
The Hilsea Centre, North Harbour, Portsmouth. Enquiries: 0705 372222
Dealing: 0705 387730

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American Acc	47.31	50.46	+0.37	0.97
Australian Acc	311.20	333.90	+4.80	...
Conscience	61.29	65.41	-0.55	1.33
-do- Acc	66.16	70.60	-0.60	1.33
European	167.80	178.50	-0.30	1.17
-do- Acc	180.50	192	-0.40	1.17
Extra Income	71.71	76.53	-0.05	5.80
-do- Acc	109.70	117	-0.10	5.80
Far East Gth	165.90	177.30	...	0.07
Gilt Fxd Inc	59.88	63.19	+0.43	6.52
Gold	52.68	56.64	+0.85	...
-do- Acc	56.73	61	+0.92	...
Income	51.07	54.47	-0.31	5.16
-do- Acc	156.30	166.70	-0.90	5.16
International	29.79	31.96	+0.28	1.03
-do- Acc	42.80	45.92	+0.40	1.03
Jap Sm Cos Acc	357.30	381.10	+12.60	...
S pore Mly Acc	189.70	203.40	+2.40	...
Smllr Cos Acc	24.81	26.67	-0.19	2.06

N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF
061 237 5322

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
N&P UK Growth	65.63	69.82	-2.58	2.74
N&P Glt Fxd Int	76.89	81.37	+0.60	5.85
N&P Higher Inc	194.10	206.50	+0.70	4.64
N&P UK Income	99.89	106.27	-0.23	3.81
N&P Intl	87.93	93.55	-0.16	1.65
N&P Smaller Cos	74.81	79.59	-0.75	1.54

NEWTON FUND MANAGERS
2 London Bridge, London SE1 9RA
071 407 4404

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
General	163.25	173.68	-1.64	2.02
Global	293.53	312.27	-0.73	3.06
Growth	107.16	114.01	-1.16	1.93
Income	198.98	211.69	-1.85	4.40
Intl Bond	130.41	138.50	+0.97	6.76

PEARL UNIT TRUST LTD
PO Box 508, Peterborough PE2 6BR
0733 470470. Dealing: 0800 626577

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Growth	134.70	141.80	-0.60	2.61
-do- Acc	238.70	251.20	-1.20	2.61
Income	218.00	231.80	...	3.56
Intl Equity	225.50	239.90	+2.20	0.84
-do- Acc	246.90	262.60	+2.40	0.84
Equity	211.10	224.50	-1.50	2.50
-do- Acc	432.70	460.30	-3.10	2.50
UK Intl 25 Acc	68.70	73.08	-0.15	2.00
UK Income	59.34	63.12	-0.01	3.11
UK Smllr Co Acc	75.72	80.55	+0.26	1.41
New Europe Acc	61.37	65.28	-0.24	1.23

PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST
48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417000

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Asian Smllr Mkt	93.45	99.95	-1.70	0.08
PEP Gth Inc	101.93	109.02	+0.49	1.38
Intl Gth	494.28	528.65	+6.34	0.77
Income	304.62	325.80	+2.12	3.30
W wide Recov	316.55	338.56	+2.93	0.40
American Gth	209.70	224.28	+1.23	0.01
Intl Emerg Cos	188.35	201.45	+2.77	0.20
Far East Gth	224.93	240.57	+2.56	0.01
European Gth	114.44	122.40	-0.88	1.16
UK Growth	76.85	82.20	+0.14	2.75
High Income	82.65	88.40	+0.16	4.35
Japanese Gth	224.98	239.35	+8.50	0.01

PROLIFIC UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook, London EC4N 8LD. Dealing: 0800 282443

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
International	175.80	187.00	-0.40	0.68
High Income	107.20	114.10	-0.40	3.69
Conv Gth	108.90	115.90	...	4.04
Far East	322.70	343.30	-9.10	0.23
Global Inc Acc	31.77	33.80	-0.05	5.20

PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT
1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. 0622 674751

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American	50.88	54.13	+0.12	0.20
Emerging Mkts	65.96	70.17	+1.43	0.56
General	46.77	49.76	+0.15	3.27
International	84.53	89.93	+0.82	1.34
Gilt Units	26.78	27.61	+1.02	7.20
Global PEP	34.78	37.00	+0.11	2.09
Income Gth	64.40	68.51	-0.09	4.78
European	43.09	45.84	-0.23	0.66
Gilt/Fixed Int	24.42	25.98	-0.20	6.06

PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD
51/69 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL
081 478 3377. Enquiries: 071 911 4490
Intermediary Dealing: 071 911 4314
Pricebank: 0426 925891

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Pru Mngd Tst	31.28	33.45	-0.01	1.73
Pru Csh Hvn Inc	101.57	102.07	-0.07	4.80
-do- Acc	105.71	106.23	-0.08	4.80
Pru Equity	639.50	683.95	-10.15	2.73
Pru Equity Inc	77.79	83.19	-1.03	4.60
Pru European	173.71	185.78	+0.19	1.18
Pru Global Gth	79.36	84.87	-0.21	1.36
Pru High Inc	83.71	89.52	-0.77	5.03
Pru Intl	162.83	174.14	+0.81	1.14
Pru Intl Sm Co	70.55	75.45	+0.87	0.68
Pru Japanese	209.33	223.88	+8.98	...
Pru Nth Amer	143.64	153.62	+1.36	0.83
Pru Pacific Mkt	77.32	82.69	-1.03	1.20
Pru Premr Inc	50.52	52.61	+0.43	5.14
Pru Smllr Cos	81.33	86.98	-0.82	2.16
Pru Spec Sits	94.93	101.52	-1.22	2.63
Pru UK Grwth	106.91	114.34	-1.48	2.52

ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT
St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8NR
Dealing: 071 634 2981/4

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
FA Income	151.39	161.92	-1.87	3.64
FA Japan	290.55	309.20	+14.30	...
FA MAJ UK Cos	89.21	95.27	-1.61	2.60
FA America Inc	498.68	531.71	+0.88	0.76
-do- Acc	582.26	620.83	-4.27	0.76
FA Smlr UK Cos	267.56	289.06	-2.41	1.69
FA European	251.99	269.24	+0.23	1.51

SAVE & PROSPER GROUP
16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB
0708 766966 or 0800 929529 (IFAs only)

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Amer Inc Gth	72.62	77.26	-0.12	3.62
Capital Units	142.60	151.70	-0.50	1.29
Commodity	114.70	122.00	+0.50	1.07
European Gth	157.40	167.40	...	1.27
Financial Sec	178.00	189.40	+0.90	1.78
High Return	209.80	223.20	+1.50	3.70
High Yield	203.90	216.90	-0.30	4.01
Income Units	108.80	115.70	+0.10	4.76
Investment	177.70	189.00	+0.20	1.27
Japan Gth	160.70	171.00	+6.20	...
Japan Smaller	188.50	200.50	+10.80	...
Masterfund	47.19	50.20	+0.59	1.27
Scotbits	259.50	276.10	+1.90	1.49
Scotshares	254.50	270.70	-0.70	2.54
Scotyields	221.70	235.80	-1.40	3.95
Select Intl	130.70	139.00	+1.60	0.41
Smaller Cos	228.40	243.00	-1.30	3.88
Special Situation	110.40	117.40	-0.20	0.82
UK Equity	220.90	236.00	-2.20	2.77
US Growth	138.70	147.60	+1.20	0.38

SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD
Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St, London, EC4V 4EJ. Client line: 0800 526 535
Broker line: 0800 526 540

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American	238.36	253.40	+2.41	0.58
-do- Acc	258.25	274.55	+2.62	0.58
Australian	132.64	141.48	+1.85	0.80
-do- Acc	155.94	166.33	+2.18	0.80
UK Enterprise	211.25	225.33	-0.68	2.37
-do- Acc	246.86	263.31	-0.77	2.37
European Gth	61.58	65.49	+0.08	1.35
-do- Acc	63.96	68.02	+0.09	1.35
Euro Smllr Cos	55.49	59.18	+0.16	0.46
-do- Acc	55.87	59.58	+0.15	0.46
Far Eastern Gth	73.19	78.06	+0.40	...
-do- Acc	74.37	79.32	+0.41	...
Fixed Interest	54.68	57.67	+0.36	6.50
-do- Acc	66.40	70.03	+0.44	6.50
Gilt Income	105.86	111.55	+0.89	7.40
-do- Acc	147.84	155.79	+1.24	7.40
Income	318.31	339.53	+1.21	3.79
-do- Acc	938.92	1001.5	+3.57	3.79
Japan Enterprise	71.06	75.79	+2.62	...
-do- Acc	71.06	75.79	+2.62	...
Japan Smllr Cos	490.40	523.09	+13.48	...
-do- Acc	491.38	524.13	+13.50	...
Pacific Gth	95.10	101.43	-2.26	0.07
-do- Acc	97.51	104.44	-2.32	0.07
Smaller Cos	189.19	201.80	-0.85	0.79
-do- Acc	218.82	233.40	-0.98	0.79
Tokyo	113.08	120.61	+4.31	...
-do- Acc	114.22	121.83	+4.36	...
UK Equity	206.20	219.94	-0.41	2.58
-do- Acc	386.62	412.40	-0.76	2.58
US Smllr Cos	138.34	147.56	+1.53	...
-do- Acc	138.34	147.56	+1.53	...
World Fd	70.64	75.34	+0.03	2.07
-do- Acc	74.47	79.43	+0.03	2.07

SCOTTISH AMICABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ
041 204 2200

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Equity Income	46.51	49.53	-0.14	3.72
Equity Strategy	63.04	67.14	-0.08	1.04
European Opps	71.50	76.15	+0.26	3.22
Maximum Inc	95.57	102.13	+0.08	5.38
UK Smaller Cos	53.21	56.67	-0.03	2.33

SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS
19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031 225 2211

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
UK Equity	334.10	357.10	-4.80	2.91
American	248.50	263.80	-0.10	0.78
Pacific	343.10	367.00	+5.40	0.59
European	447.30	478.40	-2.50	1.20
Worldwide	80.88	85.74	-0.37	1.10

SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT
109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN
041 248 6100

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
UK Equity	297.00	316.00	-3.30	2.75
UK Sm Cos Eqty	208.10	221.40	-0.20	1.63
European	329.90	351.00	...	1.67
North American	258.50	275.10	+2.90	0.56
Income Plus Inc	66.74	71.01	-0.04	3.77
UK Spec Sits	66.30	70.54	-0.23	2.92

SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD
6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA
031 558 2341/2/3

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Equity Gth Acc	25.19	26.86	-0.19	2.93
Intl Growth Acc	29.74	31.83	+0.33	0.92
Market Ldrs Acc	25.35	27.13	-0.25	3.07

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SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD
21 New Street, Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4HR 071 626 6226

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
European	99.71	...	-0.39	...
Global Bond	100.30	...	+1.08	7.50
Japan Samurai	199.38	...	+4.12	...
UK Growth	98.91	...	-0.28	3.99

STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ
0800 393777

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Managed	43.99	46.74	+0.03	1.68
Equity Gth Acc	60.00	63.76	+0.40	1.53
UK Eq General	41.10	43.67	-0.17	2.28
-do- Acc	54.27	57.67	-0.22	2.28
European Acc	41.64	44.25	-0.14	1.14
Far East Acc	56.86	60.42	+1.06	0.18
Gth Fxd Int Inc	31.44	33.25	-0.35	6.29
N American Acc	43.45	46.17	+0.23	0.76
O/s Lgr Cos Acc	284.30	308.50	+5.00	1.44
UK Eq High Inc	35.60	37.83	+0.39	3.83
-do- Acc	42.28	44.93	+0.47	3.83
UK Lgr Cos Inc	284.70	308.90	-1.40	3.81
UK Lgr Cos Acc	370.60	402.20	-1.80	3.81

STATE STREET UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
Birchin Court, 20 Birchin Lane, London EC3V 9AQ. 071 626 1977

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Global A	N$253.57	N$253.79	-0.01	1.25
US Eq	$2.111	$2.242	+0.03	1.19
Far East Eq	Y240.5	Y255.5	+6.20	...
Japan Eq	Y244.2	Y259.4	+5.20	...
FT Europe	111.80	118.70	+0.90	2.20
FT North Am	$1.710	$1.813	+0.02	1.32
FT Japan	Y243.7	Y256.8	+8.10	...
FT Asia Ex Jap	$1.876	$1.994	-0.02	1.53

STEWART IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh
031 226 3271

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American	344.70	367.60	+5.70	0.32
British	933.20	987.30	-2.10	4.14
European	391.50	416.20	-0.10	1.39
Japan	152.20	161.60	+6.00	...
New Pacific	299.30	318.80	-0.40	1.04
Mngd Cash	95.52	95.52	+0.07	5.18
Majority Stlg	94.70	100.70	+0.07	4.69
Inv Tst	190.20	201.60	-1.10	1.78
Saltire PPP	380.40	400.50	...	...

SUN ALLIANCE
Admin, 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex
0277 222300 Dealing: 0277 690389

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Equity Acc	711.70	761.20	-6.40	3.05
N America Acc	118.80	127.10	+2.60	0.30
Far East Acc	126.40	135.20	+0.80	...
W wide Bond	61.97	65.79	+0.25	5.40
European	84.10	89.95	+0.57	0.73
Equity Income	81.49	87.16	-0.51	4.15

SUN LIFE OF CANADA
Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ
Dealing: 0256 841414

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American Gth	34.41	36.81	+1.14	0.54
Managed Assets	116.92	125.05	-0.27	3.22
UK Income	35.81	38.30	-0.18	3.03
UK Growth	35.55	38.03	-0.41	2.30
Worldwide Gth	31.43	33.62	+0.34	0.44

TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD
Charlton Place, Andover, Hants. SP10 1RE
0264 346794

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
American	209.85	223.24	-1.03	0.03
-do- Acc	230.48	245.20	-1.12	0.03
British Gth	83.26	88.58	-1.76	2.02
-do- Acc	97.97	104.22	-2.07	2.02
European	91.51	97.35	-0.38	1.04
-do- Acc	96.53	102.69	-0.40	1.04
Extra Inc	184.66	196.45	-0.89	4.12
-do- Acc	294.58	313.38	-1.42	4.12
General Unit	259.00	275.53	-4.53	2.49
-do- Acc	517.25	550.27	-2.35	2.49
Income	318.56	338.89	-0.98	3.66
-do- Acc	661.99	704.24	-2.04	3.66
International	490.57	521.88	+1.54	0.41
-do- Acc	642.20	683.19	+2.01	0.41
Pacific	349.87	372.20	-1.38	...
-do- Acc	367.52	390.98	-1.44	...
Premier Income	51.78	53.94	+0.24	6.30
-do- Acc	107.96	112.46	+0.50	6.30

THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD
Swan House, 33 Queen St, London EC4R 1AX
071 493 7262 Dealing: 071 493 8545

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
European Opps	60.84	64.74	-0.33	0.46
-do- Acc	61.48	65.42	-0.34	0.46
Far East Opps	153.98	164.24	+0.77	...
-do- Acc	157.58	168.08	+0.80	...

WAVERLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ
031 225 1551

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Australasn Gold	19.35	20.58	+0.28	0.50
Pacific Basin	32.92	35.02	+0.81	0.60
Canadian Gth	36.17	38.47	+0.55	...
Global Bond	$0.969	$1.009	+0.01	7.09
Penny Share	24.35	25.90	+0.23	1.50

WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT
071 606 3132

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
City Reserve	53.00	53.00	+0.02	5.40
Gilt Growth	68.95	71.76	+0.68	...
Gilt Income	52.90	55.04	+0.40	7.50
Short Dtd Gilt	109.00	110.40	+0.20	...
US Govmnt Bd	$0.717	$0.726	...	...
Challenger	96.00	98.24	+1.11	...

WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
2 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG
081 298 4080

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Stockmarket Fd	66.99	71.26	-0.31	1.97

Source: Finstat
* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ... No significant data.

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ASDA Gp	25,000	Cadbury	1,000	MB Cardn	89	Scot Power	2,600
Abbey Natl	3,600	Carlton C	1,100	Marks Spr	3,200	Sears	11,000
Alld-Lyons	2,300	Coats Vyla	1,900	NFC	389	Svrn Trent	422
Anglian W	2,300	Cm Union	1,100	NatWst Bk	2,000	Shell Trans	2,800
Argyll Gp	4,100	Courtaulds	1,100	Nat Power	1,600	Siebe	1,100
Arjo Wig	1,700	De La Rue	758	Nth Wst W	1,000	SmKl Bch	1,800
AB Foods	369	Enterpr Oil	714	Nthrn Fds	1,000	Smith Nph	8,100
BAA	1,500	Forte	2,100	P & O	3,200	Std Chartd	466
BAT Inds	9,500	GRE	1,400	Pearson	1,500	Sun Allnce	1,700
BOC	1,400	GUS A	2,300	PowerGen	2,200	TI Gp	545
BP	6,500	Gen Acc	3,100	Prudential	2,300	TSB	3,500
BT	7,100	Gen Elec	3,600	RMC	598	Tate & Lyle	1,400
BTR	5,600	Glaxo	4,200	RTZ	1,600	Tesco	3,900
Bk of Scot	2,000	Granada	2,500	Rank Org	4,600	Thames W	2,100
Barclays	4,100	Grand Met	3,100	Reckitt Col	569	Thrn EMI	980
Bass	2,600	Guinness	3,400	Redland	600	Tomkins	2,600
Blue Circle	1,800	HSBC	2,000	Reed Intl	822	Unilever	4,100
Boots	3,300	Hanson	6,100	Rentokil	1,100	Utd Bisc	1,400
Bowater	2,000	ICI	1,600	Reuters	294	Vodafone	1,500
Brit Aero	1,500	Inchcape	3,500	Rothmans	316	Warburg (SG)	439
Brit Airwys	3,200	Kingfisher	829	Ryl Ins	4,600	Wellcome	1,300
Brit Gas	6,200	Ladbroke	4,100	Ryl Bk Scot	2,900	Whitbd 'A'	1,300
Brit Steel	4,400	Land Secs	2,600	Sainsbury	3,900	Wlms Hld	838
Burmah C	791	Legal & Gn	597	Scot Hydro	551	Wolseley	265
Cable Wire	1,100	Lloyds Bk	2,700	Scot & New	1,200	Zeneca	2,300

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):
Dow Jones .... 3536.96 (-13.97)
S&P Composite .... 447.27 (-1.95)

Tokyo:
Nikkei Av'ge .... 20331.53 (+173.51)

Hong Kong:
Hang Seng .... 6925.22 (-53.32)

Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency .... 118.0 (+1.0)

Sydney: AO .... 1799.8 (-6.1)

Frankfurt:
DAX .... 1813.46 (+5.80)

FT 30 share: .... 2218.9 (-2.6)

Brussels:
General .... 6792.56 (-5.21)

Paris: CAC .... 540.35 (-5.71)

Zurich: SKA Gen .... 542.00 (same)

London:
FT A All-Share .... 1405.72 (-0.38)
FT 500 .... 1507.65 (-1.18)
FT Gold Mines .... 224.5 (+3.5)
FT Fixed Interest .... 116.97 (-0.04)
FT Govt Secs .... 98.31 (-0.14)
Bargains 31036
SEAQ Volume 628.8m
USM (Datastrm) .... 138.89 (-0.29)

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
July 12	July 23	October 14	October 25

Call options were taken out on 16/7/93: Aminex, Anglo Pacific, Avesco, Business Tech, Eurotunnel 93 Wts, Flextech, Lucas, Premier, P&P, Shandwick, Taylor Woodrow, Waterford Wedgwood.
Puts: FNFC, P&P, Owners Abroad.

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	Series	Calls Jul	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Puts Jul	Puts Oct	Puts Jan
Alld Lyons	500	47	60	68½	1	7½	15
(*540½)	550	6	27	37½	15	26	33
Argyll	300	12	24½	30½	3½	11½	17½
(*308)	330	1½	10½	16½	24	29	34½
ASDA	57	4	7	-	2	4½	-
(*60)	67	1	3	-	8½	11½	-
Boots	420	9	27½	35½	7	19½	27
(*421½)	460	1	11	18	39	45	51
Br Airways	287	26½	38	43½	1½	8	14
(*313)	316	5½	20½	27	11	20	26½
BP	280	16	24	29½	1½	9	15
(*291½)	300	2½	13½	19½	9	18½	23½
Br Steel	100	5½	11	16	2½	7½	9½
(*102½)	110	1½	7	11	9½	13	16
C & W	750	14½	42	58½	1	28	38½
(*763½)	800	1½	19	33½	50	60	68½
CU	580	39	48½	-	2	14	-
(*619½)	629	5	21½	-	19½	39	-
ICI	633	16	34	50	8	30½	38
(*639)	657	5	23½	39	23	46	52
Kingfshr	535	50½	60	27	1	7	27
(*583½)	584	9	-	-	10½	-	-
Land Sec	600	9½	30	37	8½	20	28½
(*599)	650	1	9	17½	52	53	58½
M & S	330	10½	22½	29	4	12	17½
(*334)	360	1	9	16	25½	30	34
Nat West	500	9½	23½	36½	8½	24½	31
(*499)	550	1	7	17½	51	59½	63½
Sainsbury	420	25	39½	48½	2	11½	17
(*441½)	460	2½	18	27½	22	31	37
Shell	600	16½	30	41½	4	19	27
(*611)	650	1	8	19½	39½	51	55½
Smkl Bch	420	7½	25	35½	12½	27	33½
(*414½)	460	1	11½	20	47½	55	60
Storehse	180	10	18	23½	2	6½	11½
(*187½)	200	1½	8	13½	14	17½	22
Trafalgar	101	4	9	-	4	7½	-
(*100)	110	1½	6½	10	11	14	17
Unilever	950	21½	52½	70	9	28	38½
(*958½)	1000	3	28½	46½	39½	55½	64
Zeneca	600	29	45½	58	2½	22	29½
(*623)	650	3	19½	33½	29	50½	57½

	Series	Jul	Oct	Feb	Jul	Oct	Feb
Grnd Met	390	13	28½	38½	5	15½	27
(*402½)	420	2	15	26	26	33	44½
Ladbroke	180	8½	17½	22½	2½	12	16
(*186½)	200	1½	8	13½	16	24½	28
Utd Bisc	360	14	30½	40	5	16½	28
(*367)	390	2½	17½	28	25	34	45

July 16, 1993 Tot: 27220 Calls: 11690 Puts: 15530 FT-SE Calls: 3380 Puts: 5837
*Underlying security price.

	Series	Calls Aug	Calls Nov	Calls Jan	Puts Aug	Puts Nov	Puts Jan
BAA	700	38½	61	62	5	16	23
(*730)	750	9	32½	39	27½	38½	46½
Thames W.	460	25	38	42	3½	14½	17½
(*477½)	500	4½	16½	21½	25	35	38½

	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
BAT Ind	425	15	28	38	14	24	29
(*435½)	450	4	17	26½	32½	39½	45
BTR	360	11	20½	27	6½	16	19
(*363½)	390	1½	8	13½	28	34½	36½
Br Aero	420	21	45	60	20	41	49½
(*418)	460	7	29½	43	47	65½	74
Br Telecom	390	23	29	33	3½	14	20½
(*409)	420	6	14	18	16	30½	38
Cadbury	420	26½	39	48½	3½	14	16½
(*440)	460	5	18½	28	24½	35	38½
Guinness	420	37½	51½	62	2½	11	17
(*452)	460	9½	27	38	16½	27½	33
GEC	300	22½	31	35½	2½	6	10
(*318½)	330	3½	13	19	15	19½	23½
Hanson	220	20	24½	28	1½	5½	9½
(*238)	240	5½	13	16½	7½	14	18½
LASMO	140	7	13½	18	6	13½	16
(*139½)	160	1½	6½	11	23½	26	30
Lucas	140	12	18½	23	3½	11	13½
(*147)	160	3	9	14	15½	22	25
Pilkington	130	6½	13½	14	4	9	13½
(*130)	140	3	8	10	11	15	19½
Prudential	330	17	26½	33½	4½	12½	16½
(*341½)	360	3	12	19	22½	29½	33½
Redland	460	22½	39½	48	9	26	34½
(*467½)	500	5	23	31	35	52½	57½
Royal Ins	317	13	25	33	7	18½	20½
(*321)	346	3	12½	19½	28	33½	37
Tesco	180	21½	28	32½	1½	6½	9
(*200)	200	7	15½	21	7½	15	18½
Vodafone	420	31½	48½	56½	4	13	21
(*444)	460	7½	26	35	22½	33	39½
Williams	300	24	31	37½	2½	11½	15
(*319)	330	5	15½	23	16	28½	32

FT-SE INDEX (*2831½)

	2700	2750	2800	2850	2900	2950
Calls						
Jul	128	78	28	½	½	½
Aug	151	108	71	42	20	9
Sep	165	125	90	61	38	22
Oct	180	143	109	79	57	35
Dec	207	-	140	-	90	-
Puts						
Jul	½	½	½	24	74	124
Aug	9½	16	27	50	83	122
Sep	19	27	45	65	94	132
Oct	29	42	59	79	107	139
Dec	49	-	81	-	130	-

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Abby Nat	390	21½	34	41½	10	17½	24½
(*401½)	420	7	19½	26½	29	34½	41
Amstrad	30	2½	5	6	2½	3½	4
(*30½)	35	1½	3	4	5	6½	7
Barclays	460	33	46	55	9	16	23
(*486)	500	10½	25	33½	30	36½	44
Blue Circ	240	17	23	29	9	18	21½
(*249)	260	7	14½	20½	22½	30	33
Br Gas	280	20½	24½	29	5	11	15
(*293½)	300	9	13½	19½	13½	22	25½
Dixons	180	16	23½	28	7	12½	16
(*195½)	200	6	14½	19	19	23½	26½
Forte	220	15½	23½	29½	9½	17	21
(*223)	240	6½	12	20½	22½	29	32½
Hillsdown	140	11½	16½	20½	7	13½	15
(*142)	160	4	8½	12	21	26	28
Lonrho	120	15	20	24	5	8	12
(*131½)	130	9	15	19	9½	14	17
Sears	90	8½	11½	13	2½	4½	5
(*95½)	100	3½	6	7½	7	10	11
Thrn Eml	900	34	57	67½	31	43½	53½
(*919½)	950	12½	34½	46	66	73½	84½
Tomkins	200	23	28	32	4	7½	11
(*219½)	220	9	16½	21½	13	16½	21
TSB	180	23	27	30	3	6½	11
(*199)	200	10	16	19	12	15½	19½
Wellcome	650	26½	46½	60	37½	57	65
(*634)	700	11	28	42	74	91½	99

	Series	Sep	Dec	Apr	Sep	Dec	Apr
Glaxo	550	24	37	51	31½	51½	61
(*537)	600	9	22	33	69	86½	95
HSBC	650	35½	38	75½	29	42	59
(*655)	700	13½	35½	53½	58½	70½	87½
Reuter	1350	68	103½	136	37	66	97
(*1379)	1400	42	83½	108	63	92½	120

	Series	Sep	Dec	Feb	Sep	Dec	Feb
R-Royce	130	15½	19	22	4½	9½	11
(*138½)	140	9½	14½	17	9	15	16½

	Series	Jul	Oct	Dec	Jul	Oct	Dec
Fisons	160	11½	21	23½	2½	8½	13½
(*168)	180	2	11	14	13	20½	25

	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
Eastn Elc	460	13½	30	37	8½	17½	24
(*480½)	500	1½	12½	18½	37	42½	46

	Series	Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Natl Pwr	330	27½	38½	42½	4½	10	14½
(*357)	360	11	21	26	17½	23½	27½
Scot Pwr	330	14	20½	-	10	14½	-
(*317½)	330	3½	11	15½	24	26½	30½

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100	Sep 93	2840.0	2848.0	2827.0	2847.0	8659
Previous open interest: 43559	Dec 93	2852.0	2854.0	2852.0	2864.0	12
Three Month Sterling	Sep 93	94.15	94.17	94.14	94.17	10907
Previous open interest: 333945	Dec 93	94.40	94.40	94.36	94.39	9565
	Mar 94	94.35	94.38	94.34	94.37	3523
Three Mth Eurodollar	Sep 93	96.63	96.64	96.63	96.64	317
Previous open interest: 13615	Dec 93	96.26	96.27	96.25	96.27	53
Three Mth Euro DM	Sep 93	93.28	93.37	93.26	93.35	42817
Previous open interest: 648976	Dec 93	93.98	94.04	93.97	94.04	14595
Long Gilt	Sep 93	108-28	109-02	108-21	108-26	36276
Previous open interest: 95170	Dec 93	108-04	108-08	108-03	106-05	151
Japanese Govmt Bond	Sep 93	109.91	110.00	109.86	110.00	2461
	Dec 93				109.01	0
German Gov Bd Bund	Sep 93	96.14	96.32	96.07	96.28	50519
Previous open interest: 182144	Dec 93	96.27	96.45	96.27	96.42	3068
German Gov Bd Bobl	Sep 93	99.97	100.20	99.92	100.09	2846
Previous open interest: 19510	Dec 93				100.30	0
Three month ECU	Sep 93	92.99	93.09	92.99	93.07	2372
Previous open interest: 31035	Dec 93	93.67	93.76	93.67	93.75	1087
Euro Swiss Franc	Sep 93	95.59	95.60	95.55	95.55	3316
Previous open interest: 4901	Dec 93	95.84	95.84	95.81	95.81	956
Italian Govmt Bond	Sep 93	103.95	104.50	103.91	104.43	10923
Previous open interest: 50607	Dec 93	103.63	103.99	103.63	104.03	677

MONEY MARKETS

Exchange index compared with 1985 was down at 80.8 (day's range 80.8-81.1).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for July 16	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.8673-2.8848	2.8698-2.8733	1/8-1/4ds	3/8-5/8ds
Brussels	52.61-52.85	52.61-52.67	1-10ds	7-23ds
Copenhagen	9.9070-9.9890	9.9070-9.9300	n/a	n/a
Dublin	1.0573-1.0649	1.0573-1.0589	3-9ds	13-20ds
Frankfurt	2.5459-2.5624	2.5459-2.5492	1/4-3/8ds	3/4-7/8ds
Lisbon	246.92-248.59	246.92-247.39	113-125ds	319-347ds
Madrid	200.29-201.39	200.29-200.59	97-115ds	256-283ds
Milan	2349.10-2375.70	2357.80-2363.90	6-8ds	18-21ds
Montreal	1.8879-1.9083	1.8879-1.8907	0.32-0.23pr	0.61-0.48pr
New York	1.4755-1.4850	1.4755-1.4765	0.37-0.35pr	1.04-1.01pr
Oslo	10.8690-10.9230	10.8690-10.8920	1/4-3/4ds	par-1 1/4ds
Paris	8.7090-8.7520	8.7090-8.7230	1 3/8-2 1/8ds	3 3/4-4 3/8ds
Stockholm	11.8570-11.9310	11.8630-11.8860	2 1/8-3 1/8ds	5 5/8-7 1/8ds
Tokyo	159.53-160.36	159.94-160.21	1/2-3/8pr	1 1/8-1pr
Vienna	17.92-18.04	17.92-17.96	1 1/4-2ds	2-4ds
Zurich	2.2368-2.2565	2.2368-2.2399	3/8-1/4pr	7/8-5/8pr

Source: Extel. Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

OTHER STERLING

Argentina peso*	1.4755-1.4781
Australia dollar	2.1788-2.1818
Bahrain dinar	0.5535-0.5655
Brazil cruzeiro *	92993.2-93057.5
Cyprus pound	0.75-0.76
Finland marka	8.5945-8.7105
Greece drachma	346.75-353.75
Hong Kong dollar	11.4672-11.4765
India rupee	46.14-47.10
Kuwait dinar KD	0.443-0.453
Malaysia ringgit	3.7997-3.8038
Mexico peso	4.55-4.65
New Zealand dollar	2.6874-2.6926
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.5045-5.6305
Singapore dollar	2.3977-2.4000
S Africa rand (fin)	6.6663-6.7005
S Africa rand (com)	4.9567-4.9624
U A E dirham	5.3905-5.5145

Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Australia	1.4736-1.4747
Austria	12.14-12.15
Belgium (Com)	35.64-35.68
Canada	1.2807-1.2812
Denmark	6.7205-6.7295
France	5.8975-5.8995
Germany	1.7260-1.7270
Hong Kong	7.7560-7.7570
Ireland	1.3979-1.3989
Italy	1596.95-1597.13
Japan	108.15-108.25
Malaysia	2.5700-2.5710
Netherlands	1.9430-1.9440
Norway	7.3690-7.3710
Portugal	167.86-167.96
Singapore	1.6207-1.6217
Spain	135.95-136.15
Sweden	8.0395-8.0495
Switzerland	1.5205-1.5215

MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 6 Finance Hse 6
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 5 3/4 Low 4 1/2 Week fixed: 5 11/16
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 5 9/16; 3 mth 5 1/2. Sell: 2 mth 5 1/2; 3 mth: 5 9/16.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	5 11/16-5 5/8	5 11/16-5 9/16	5 5/8-5 9/16	5 1/2-5 7/16	
Sterling Money Rates:	6-5 3/4	6-5 7/8	6-5 3/4	5 13/16-5 11/16	5 13/16-5 11/16
Interbank:	6-5 7/8	6-5 7/8	6-5 3/4	5 13/16-5 11/16	5 13/16-5 11/16

Overnight: open 5 3/4, close 4.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Local Authority Deps:	5 7/8	n/a	5 11/16	5 3/4	5 11/16
Sterling CDs:	6-5 13/16	6-5 7/8	5 3/4-5 21/32	5 21/32-5 19/32	5 21/32-5 19/32
Dollar CDs:	3.07-3.03	n/a	3.16-3.12	3.30-3.26	3.53-3.49
Building Society CDs:	6-5 13/16	6-5 13/16	5 11/16-5 5/8	5 11/16-5 5/8	5 11/16-5 5/8

TREASURY BILLS: Applcts: £300m allotted: £100m; Bids: £98.72% received: 89%; Last week: £98.715% received: 68%; Avge rate: £5.1341% last wk £5.1496%; Next week: £100m.

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	3 1/16-2 15/16	3 1/8-2 7/8	3 1/4-3	3 7/16-3 5/16	3 1/8-2 7/8
Deutschemark:	7 1/4-7 1/8	7 1/4-7 1/8	7 1/8-7	7-6 7/8	7 1/8-6 7/8
French Franc:	8 1/2-8 1/4	8 5/8-8 3/8	8-7 3/4	7 7/8-7 5/8	8-7
Swiss Franc:	4 7/8-4 3/4	4 15/16-4 13/16	4 11/16-4 9/16	4 5/8-4 1/2	5-4
Yen:	3 1/8-3	3 1/4-3 1/8	3 1/4-3 1/8	3 3/16-3 1/16	3 1/8-2 7/8

GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS (Baird & Co)

Bullion: Open $392.25-392.75 Close: $393.20-393.60 High: $394.00-394.50 Low: $390.25-390.75 Krugerrand: $392.00-394.50 (£264.00-266.00)
Sovereigns: Old $91.00-93.00 (£60.75-62.75) New $91.00-93.00 (£60.75-62.75)
Platinum: $403.90 (£272.35) Silver: $5.07 (£3.43) Palladium: $139.75 (£94.25)

COMMODITIES

GNI REPORT: Coffee fell back as the much vaunted frost in Brazil failed to materialise. Despite colder temperatures in key growing areas overnight, no frost was seen. However even though forecasts are predicting warmer weather this weekend, the market retains a small risk premium, after all it was only on Monday that the pundits predicted warm weather for the rest of the week.

LONDON FOX
COCOA

Jul	770-750	Sep	819-817
Sep	768-767	Dec	832-829
Dec	778-777	Mar	847 SLR
Mar	791-790	May	858-850
May	801-799		
Jul	809-807		Volume: 8137

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Jul	957 SLR	Mar	979 SLR
Sep	976-975	May	990-980
Nov	981-978	Jul	1010-980
Jan	979-978		Volume: 1976

RAW SUGAR (FOB)

C Czarnikow		Dec	unq
Spot: unq		Mar	-
May	unq	May	-
Aug	-	Aug	-
Oct	-		Volume: 0

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		Mar	267.0-64.0
Spot: 262.0		May	271.0-66.5
Aug	264.0-60.0	Aug	276.0-69.0
Oct	261.5-60.0	Oct	267.5-59.0
Dec	263.5-60.5		Volume: 323

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on July 16

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	79.26	96.09	132.25
(+/-)	-0.53	-7.62	-5.82
Eng/Wales:	79.26	95.72	131.57
(+/-)	+0.53	-8.07	-6.43
(%)	-11.9	+15.6	-31.3
Scotland:	n/a	97.86	140.12
(+/-)	n/a	-5.43	+1.35
(%)	n/a	+21.0	-41.1

LONDON MEAT FUTURES
Live Pig (/kg)

	Open	Close		Open	Close
Jul	unq	unq	Oct	104.0	104.0
Aug	unq	unq			Volume: 3

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
WHEAT (close £/t)

Sep	106.20
Nov	107.65
Jan	110.15
Mar	112.25
May	114.35
	Volume: 125

BARLEY (close £/t)

Sep	103.00
Nov	105.25
Jan	107.20
Mar	109.90
May	111.00
	Volume: 16

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)

Aug	176.00
Oct	176.00
Dec	177.00
Feb	179.00
Apr	180.00
	Volume: 20

POTATO

(£/t)	Open	Close
Nov	unq	62.5
Apr	92.0	92.4
May	101.0	101.0
		Volume: 89

RUBBER
No 1 RSS Cif (p/k)
Aug 59.50-60.00

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): After a choppy week, the market waited for the next meeting between the UN and Iraq.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	16.50	+0.10
Brent 15 day (Aug)	16.55	+0.15
Brent 15 day (Sep)	16.70	+0.05
W Texas Intermediate (Aug)	17.60	(n/c)
W Texas Intermediate (Sep)	17.90	+0.05

PRODUCTS ($/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	195 (-1)	197 (-1)
Gasoil EEC	157 (-1)	158 (-1)
Non EEC 1H Aug	158 (-1)	159 (-1)
Non EEC 1H Sep	159 (-1)	160 (-1)
3.5 Fuel Oil	59 (n/c)	61 (n/c)
Naphtha	163 (n/c)	164 (-1)

IPE FUTURES
GNI Ltd
GAS OIL

Aug	156.75 SLR	Nov	162.75 BID
Sep	158.25-58.50	Dec	165.00 BID
Oct	160.75-61.00	Jan	166.50-66.75
			Vol: 12707

BRENT (6.00pm)

Aug	n/a	Nov	17.10-17.12
Sep	16.75-16.76	Dec	17.22-17.30
Oct	16.92-16.96		Vol: 16488

UNLEADED GASOLINE

Aug	182.00-84.00	Nov	n/a
Sep	179.00-84.00	Dec	n/a
Oct	n/a		Vol: 12

BIFFEX
GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Jul 93	1310	1305	1317
Aug 93	1288	1288	1204
Sep 93	unq	unq	1322
Oct 93	1370	1365	1370

Vol: 61 lots. Open int'st: 3712 Index 1360 -3

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE — Rudolf Wolff
(Official) (Volume prev day)

	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A ($/tonne)	1908.0-1909.0	1911.0-1913.0	1656700
Lead ($/tonne)	391.50-392.00	405.00-405.50	17766
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	921.50-922.00	937.50-938.00	276050
Tin ($/tonne)	4990.0-4991.0	5040.0-5041.0	4145
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1184.0-1185.0	1209.0-1210.0	823125
Nickel ($/tonne)	5039.0-5044.0	5093.0-5095.0	27696

Watkin has claim on Headingley position

BY ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

ONLY one thing, surely, will prevent the England selectors enjoying a swift and almost sanguine meeting tomorrow before naming an unchanged side for the fourth Test match next week. The catch is that the game is to be played at Headingley, where the conditions breed more suspicion *than any other Test ground in* the world.

You need to delve back 13 years to find a drawn Test in Leeds, and that was due entirely to bad weather. The trend, indeed the expectation, is for low scoring and, in losing three successive Tests between 1986 and 1988, England's highest total was 201. One technically great innings is usually sufficient to secure victory on this ground, as Graham Gooch has demonstrated so masterfully in the *past two summers.*

Gooch is responsible for the fact that Headingley is no *longer the place England fear* to tread but a ground on which they fancy their chances. West Indies and Pakistan have both been beaten there through a combination of Gooch centuries and traditional English seam bowling: if Australia go the same way, this Ashes series will be alive and well.

Sadly for England, this Australian side has no hang-ups over Headingley. The famous *defeat of 1981 may stick in* Allan Border's subconscious but many of his team were barely old enough to have watched it on television. The Headingley Test they remember is 1989, when Australia won after being put in by Gower and scoring 601.

That game was the exception to all rules governing Headingley and England only lost it through some schoolboyish batting on the *final afternoon. Gower spent* the game regretting the omission of John Emburey and Gooch is highly unlikely to go into the match that starts next Thursday without his present off spin bowler, Peter Such.

As the seven-batsmen policy, *used at Trent Bridge, has* more justification on this ground than anywhere else, this leaves room for only three seam bowlers, and although McCague, Ilott and Caddick all emerged from Nottingham with credit, it does not necessarily follow that they will be retained *en bloc.*

McCague, who will be one of the first chosen for the winter trip to the Caribbean might be wasted on the slow, *seaming surface likely for this* game. Bowlers who rely on pace do not often prosper here. In the last two years England's most effective bowler has been a debutant, plucked from county cricket for the old-fashioned virtue of moving the ball off the seam. Steve Watkin took five for 93 against West Indies and Neil Mallender eight for 122 against Pakistan. Either could profitably revive his Test *career now and Watkin, the* country's leading wicket-taker, has the prior claim. But the place could equally go to Martin Bicknell or Dominic Cork, whose belligerent batting would be a bonus at No 8. Though recent form does not encourage the thought, it might even go to Derek Pringle.

All such debate is conditional on the view taken about Alan Igglesden who has bro*ken down on the eve of a Test* twice this summer. Igglesden is likely to be in the party once again and, for this game, I would complete the 13 with Watkin.

Doubts persist over the form of Alec Stewart, but this is probably not the moment to dispense with his dual role as wicketkeeper, so the batsmen should be unchanged, perhaps with some tinkering of the order so that Gooch bats *higher and Stewart lower.*

My Headingley party would be: Lathwell, Atherton, Smith, Gooch, Thorpe, Stewart, Hussain, Caddick, McCague, Igglesden, Such, Ilott, Watkin.

HUGH ROUTLEDGE



So near but so far: Darren Bicknell, the opening batsman, is run out for ten in Surrey's innings against Gloucestershire at Guildford

Robinson writes name in Yorkshire's records

BY MICHAEL HENDERSON

HARROGATE (second day of four; Yorkshire won toss): Yorkshire have a first-innings lead of 71 runs over Northamptonshire

MARK Robinson could be excused for feeling anxious yesterday morning. Dropped for Yorkshire's last championship match and carrying a strapped right foot, he wondered whether he would play against his old county. By *mid-afternoon*, he was the happiest man in the Ridings after returning the best figures by a Yorkshire bowler for 39 years.

Before nightfall, another man could also celebrate. By taking the last four Yorkshire wickets in eight balls at the end of an extraordinary day, Kevin Curran finished with seven for 47, his best performance in county cricket and one to equal his career-best *figures for Natal against* Transvaal.

As Robinson admitted, it was a good toss to win, even if he was not given his favoured end to bowl at. Heavy rain on the previous two days had transformed the square, at least in the shortened morning session, when seven wickets fell, so that Northamptonshire, who were instructed to bat on a damp pitch not dissimilar to an uncovered one, were dismissed for 97.

Robinson also benefited from the withdrawal of Paul Jarvis with a stiff leg after three overs. When Jarvis returned, it was no doubt with a broken heart as he surveyed the damage Robinson had wrought — nine for 37 from 14.2 overs tells its own story.

"Before lunch I thought I could get a wicket every ball", Robinson said. "When I seamed it, the ball was hitting the splice or beating the bat and, when the shine went off, it swung as well. If I could roll up that pitch and take it round with me, I'd be a happy man."

Of Robinson's *nine wickets*, Blakey took four catches, none of them difficult, and Richardson, fielding at third slip, held another three, the last of them quite superb. Peter Hartley took the other wicket when Lamb, who had twice averted a hat-trick, played on.

For *the second time this* season, therefore, Robinson improved his career-best performance. In May, he took seven Worcestershire wickets for 47 at Bradford. Yesterday's analysis was only marginally inferior to the nine for 32 Andrew Caddick took against Lancashire in the same round of championship matches.

Tony Nicholson was the last Yorkshire bowler to take nine wickets, in 1967, and one must go back to 1954, when Johnny Wardle took nine for 25 at Old Trafford, to find better figures.

What Curtly Ambrose could have done on this pitch remains a matter for conjecture. In his absence through injury, Curran bowled so *effectively that Yorkshire*, who were 115 for two before Richardson was out, lost their last six wickets for 25. They lead by 71 and will need every one of them as the pitch dries out.

Hussain to Essex's rescue

GRAHAM Gooch's famed ability to conjure wins for Essex from the most unpromising of positions is going to be tested to the full in the match against Leicestershire at Southend (Geoffrey Wheeler writes).

Only a confident, unbeaten 78 from Nasser Hussain saved Essex from the follow-on yesterday as the Leicestershire seam bowlers, with Alan Mullally to the fore, called the tune.

Winston Benjamin bowled Gooch for 51 and when the seventh wicket went at 134 Essex were still 187 runs behind. But Peter Such, who had earlier taken five for 66, and Stephen Andrew stayed long enough for Hussain, who has so far hit 15 fours, to nurse the score along to 190 for nine, which leaves Leicestershire with a useful lead of 131.

Monte Lynch, whose previous five innings had produced a total of seven runs, came good for Surrey as they built up a match-winning position against Gloucestershire at Guildford. Lynch, who entered after Alec Stewart had fallen to Courtney Walsh without scoring, made 90 as *Surrey reached 321 for seven*, a lead of 168.

Mike Atherton was top scorer with 63 as Lancashire batted consistently to reach 310 for seven against Glamorgan at Old Trafford, where the England manager, Keith Fletcher — who presented John Crawley with the Whittingdale young player of the month award for June — was running the rule over the seam bowling of Steve Watkin.

Crawley, the Cambridge University captain, made only nine in his first championship appearance of the season, but Fletcher confirmed that he was already being considered for a winter tour place.

In two other matches well behind schedule after further rain delays, Somerset were 181 for seven against Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge, while Sussex clawed their way to 157 for seven against Kent.

Middlesex stay in contention thanks to Carr

BY IVO TENNANT

EDGBASTON (second day of four): Middlesex, with four first-innings wickets in hand, are 32 runs behind Warwickshire

NOT a great deal occurred yesterday to suggest that Middlesex will finish the season as county champions, but then little did when Glamorgan's batsmen were taking double hundreds off them in their last match. Should the leaders win again, then John Carr will have had much to do with it.

If, as yesterday, *Haynes* goes early, Gatting bats as he did in India and Ramprakash seems encumbered by weight of expectation, there is always Carr to come. The point is that his technique is such that there is no reason for him not to make runs. Unbeaten with 89 after nearly four hours, he had put on 115 with Emburey by the close.

Middlesex were 28 for three when he came in. Donald found two peerless yorkers to account for Haynes and, later, Feltham. Another was blocked only by Gatting's big toe, which may have been the reason why he looked to play predominantly on the back foot after that, not least when Neil Smith had him leg-before *with one well tossed up.*

Warwickshire are playing two spinners in a championship match for the first time this season. Imagine, then, Booth's delight when he turned one sufficiently to have Ramprakash caught at slip.

Yet neither spinner could rid themselves of Carr. He drove much straighter than seemed possible for one with such a two-eyed stance. In Emburey he found the ideal partner, not least because it is so hard to set a field to such a peculiar array of shots.

The pitch is taking a considerable amount of spin. Although Tufnell and Emburey have been discarded by England — temporarily, one trusts in the case of Tufnell, who took *two of the four remaining* Warwickshire wickets — there can be no doubting what a pairing they are when uncluttered of mind. How they perform today will probably decide the outcome.

Benjamin undoes good work of Smith

BY JACK BAILEY

PORTSMOUTH (second day of four): Hampshire have scored 222 for seven wickets against Worcestershire

AT THE end of a day limited to 57 overs, Hampshire were mostly counting their blessings. Worcestershire, if they are honest with themselves, will be regretting a number of *elusive chances and half-*chances which, if taken, could have left Robin Smith stranded well before he reached his valiant 91.

As it was, Hampshire achieved a reasonable total, although a late spell by Benjamin, of three wickets in seven balls, gave Worcestershire an unexpected fillip.

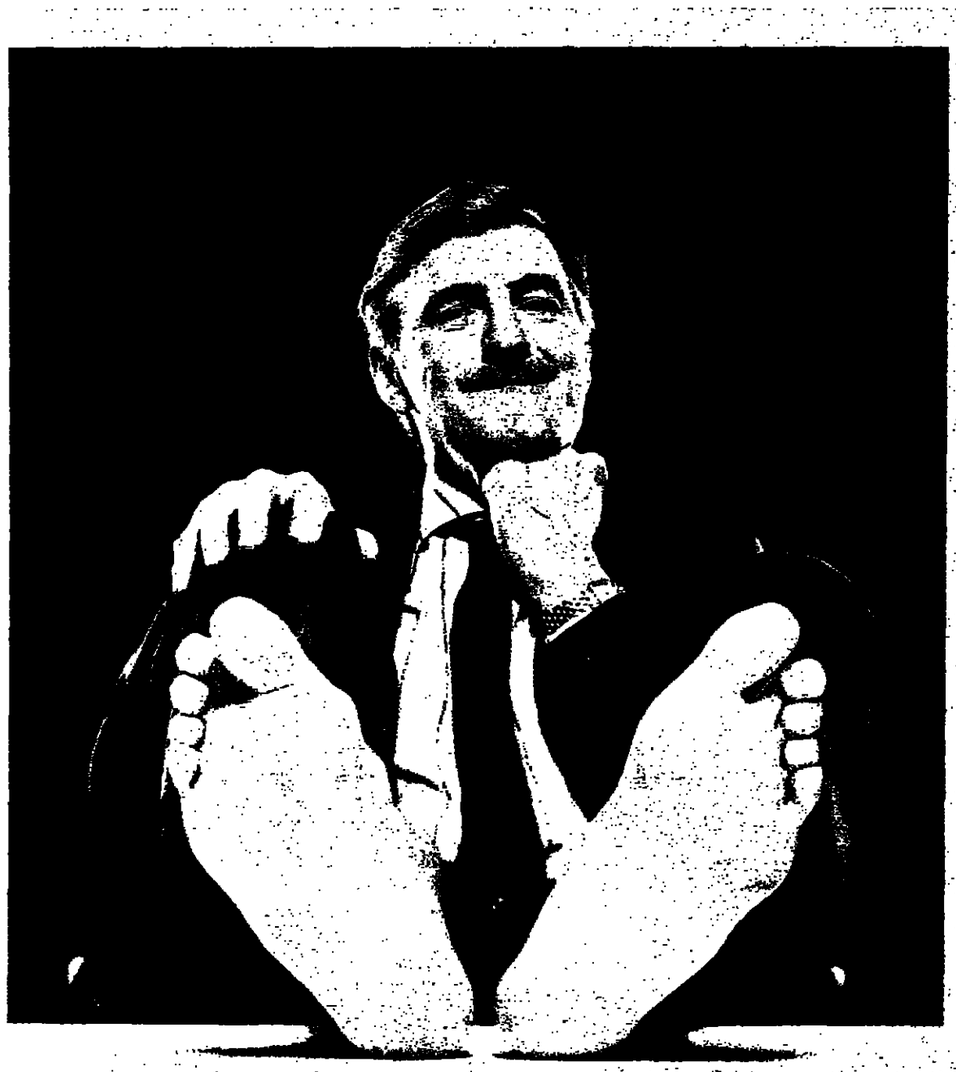
For a time, though, it had looked as though 200 might be well beyond Hampshire when Smith and Gower resumed at 65 for two. The moisture in the pitch enabled Benjamin — sensibly bowling off his shorter run — and Newport to make the ball fly alarmingly. Gower was caught in no-man's-land, between playing and leaving a lifter, and was caught at *third slip off* Benjamin.

Smith just cleared gully's outstretched hands, but gradually he came to terms with the conditions; then the pitch eased, as, first with Nicholas, then with James, Smith pushed Hampshire back into the game. There is no more resolute player of the lifting ball, no batsman more severe on anything remotely hittable.

His resolution was marked by a stay of nearly four hours, his punitive streak was illustrated by the 11 fours with which he carried the fight to Worcestershire. At 215 for four *Hampshire stood on the* threshold, but their day was spoiled by Benjamin's late burst, which also deprived Smith of a well-deserved century.

First, Benjamin ended a 71-run partnership for the fifth wicket by getting James brilliantly caught by *Weston.* Then he brought one back to catch Smith on the back foot and with his next ball had Marshall taken at second slip.





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Britannic Assurance county championship

Nottinghamshire v Somerset

TRENT BRIDGE *(second day of four; Nottinghamshire won toss): Somerset have scored 181 for seven wickets against Nottinghamshire*

SOMERSET: First Innings

M N Lathwell b Pick	29
N A Folland hit wicket b Cairns	57
R J Harden c Pollard b Afford	18
*C J Tavare c Evans b Cairns	17
K A Parsons lbw b Pick	14
†N D Burns lbw b Evans	16
G D Rose c Evans b Lewis	2
Mushtaq Ahmed not out	13
A R Caddick not out	5
Extras (lb 1, w 7, nb 4)	12
Total (7 wkts, 62 overs)	181

N A Mallender and H R J Trump to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-50, 2-102, 3-112, 4-143, 5-149, 6-157, 7-161.

BOWLING: Lewis 17-3-50-1; Cairns 12-2-46-2; Pick 14-0-30-2; Evans 14-3-42-1; *Afford 5-1-12-1.*

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: M Saxelby, P R Pollard, *R T Robinson, P Johnson, M A Crawley, C L Cairns, C C Lewis, K P Evans, †B N French, R A Pick and J A Afford.

Bonus points: Nottinghamshire 3, Somerset 0

Umpires: M J Kitchen and R Julian.

Sussex v Kent

ARUNDEL *(second day of four): Sussex have scored 157 for seven wickets against Kent*

SUSSEX: First Innings

C W J Athey c Llong b McCague	24
J W Hall b Igglesden	4
D M Smith lbw b Fleming	16
*A P Wells c Hooper b Fleming	9
K Greenfield c Marsh b Fleming	10
J A North c Cowdrey b McCague	0
†P Moores c Llong b Hooper	33
I D K Salisbury not out	26
A C S Pigott not out	13
Extras (b 7, lb 11, w 2)	20
Total (7 wkts, 63 overs)	157

E E Hemmings and E S H Giddins to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-33, 2-33, 3-47, 4-59, 5-81, 6-105, 7-111.

BOWLING: Igglesden 20-8-39-1; McCague *17-5-46-2*; Fleming 15-7-32-3; Hooper 10-2-21-1; Davis 1-0-1-0.

KENT: T R Ward, *M R Benson, N R Taylor, C L Hooper, N J Llong, G R Cowdrey, M V Fleming, †S A Marsh, M J McCague, A P Igglesden and R P Davis.

Bonus points: Sussex 0, Kent 3.

Umpires: R Palmer and A G T Whitehead.

Essex v Leicestershire

SOUTHEND *(second day of four; Essex, with one first-innings wicket in hand, are 131 runs behind Leicestershire*

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings

T J Boon c Prichard b Childs	70
*N E Briers c Prichard b Childs	42
J J Whitaker c Such b Salim	4
J D R Benson lbw b Childs	11
P E Robinson lbw b Pringle	71
L Potter b Such	3
†P A Nixon lbw b Such	58
W K M Benjamin c Stephenson b Such	35
G J Parsons not out	11
A R K Pierson c Stephenson b Such	2
A D Mullally c Gooch b Such	0
Extras (lb 8, nb 8)	16
Total	321

Score at 120 overs: 301-7.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-109, 2-116, 3-123, 4-158, 5-165, 6-282, 7-295, 8-311, 9-319.

BOWLING: Ilott 18-5-54-0; Pringle 15-3-24-1; Andrew 3-0-6-0; Stephenson 3-0-11-0; Such 32.2-6-66-5, Childs 43-8-106-3; Salim Malik 6-4-46-1.

ESSEX: First Innings

*G A Gooch b Benjamin	51
J P Stephenson c Nixon b Mullally	5
P J Prichard c Nixon b Benjamin	0
Salim Malik c Nixon b Mullally	20
N Hussain not out	78
†M A Garnham lbw b Benjamin	0
D R Pringle b Parsons	12
M C Ilott b Parsons	0
P M Such c Nixon b Mullally	5
S J W Andrew b Mullally	2
J H Childs not out	2
Extras (b 1, lb 8, w 4, nb 2)	15
Total (9 wkts, 64 overs)	190

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-19, 3-48, 4-88, 5-102, 6-134, 7-134, 8-159, 9-183.

BOWLING: Benjamin 15-4-42-3; Mullally 17-3-58-4; Potter 15-4-38-0; Parsons 17-6-45-2.

Bonus points: Essex 3, Leicestershire 7.

Umpires: J W Holder and G A Stickley.

Surrey v Gloucestershire

GUILDFORD *(second day of four): Surrey, with three first-innings wickets in hand, are 168 runs ahead of Gloucestershire*

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 153 (Waqar Younis 6-42)

SURREY: First Innings

D J Bicknell run out	10
P D Atkins b Cooper	41
G P Thorpe c Russell b Williams	57
*†A J Stewart b Walsh	0
M A Lynch b Alleyne	90
A D Brown lbw b Alleyne	39
A W Smith not out	26
M P Bicknell c Wright b Wight	17
Waqar Younis not out	11
Extras (b 4, lb 1, w 2, nb 23)	30
Total (7 wkts, 89 overs)	321

J Boiling and J E Benjamin to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-99, 3-100, 4-158, 5-249, 6-263, 7-295.

BOWLING: Walsh 27-5-70-1; Cooper 27-6-75-1; Williams 12-0-59-1; Davies 8-3-42-0; *Alleyne 16-3-41-2; Wight 9-3-29-1.*

Bonus points: Surrey 7, Gloucestershire 3.

Umpires: G Sharp and D R Shepherd.

Hampshire v Worcestershire

PORTSMOUTH *(second day of four): Hampshire have scored 222 for seven wickets against Worcestershire*

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

V P Terry c Rhodes b Tolley	9
R S M Morris c Hick b Newport	14
D I Gower c Lampitt b Benjamin	38
R A Smith lbw b Benjamin	91
*M C J Nicholas b Radford	27
K D James c Weston b Benjamin	27
†A N Aymes not out	3
M D Marshall c Hick b Benjamin	0
S D Udal not out	0
Extras (lb 5, w 4, nb 4)	13
Total (7 wkts, 82 overs)	222

C A Connor and D P J Flint to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-44, 3-75, 4-144, 5-215, 6-220, 7-220.

BOWLING: Benjamin 23-5-59-4; Tolley 20-5-60-1; Newport 20-4-51-1; Radford 9-2-23-1; Illingworth 4-2-2-0; Lampitt 6-1-23-0.

WORCESTERSHIRE: *†T S Curtis, W P C Weston, G A Hick, D B D'Oliveira, S R Lampitt, †S J Rhodes, P J Newport, C M Tolley, R K Illingworth, N V Radford and K C G Benjamin.

Bonus points: Hampshire 1, Worcestershire 3.

Umpires: D J Constant and P Willey.

Warwickshire v Middlesex

EDGBASTON *(second day of four): Middlesex, with four first-innings wickets in hand, are 32 runs behind Warwickshire*

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings

A J Moles b Emburey	12
J D Ratcliffe lbw b Tufnell	82
D P Ostler b Emburey	9
T L Penney lbw b Tufnell	23
*D A Reeve c Fraser b Emburey	11
P A Smith c Emburey b Tufnell	11
N M K Smith lbw b Fraser	34
†K J Piper b Tufnell	0
P A Booth c Ramprakash b Fraser	30
A A Donald c Ramprakash b Fraser	2
T A Munton not out	0
Extras (b 4, lb 7, w 1, nb 15)	30
Total (114.4 overs)	237

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-33, 3-105, 4-149, 5-149, 6-180, 7-182, 8-226, 9-234.

BOWLING: Fraser 18.4-5-42-3; Williams 15-5-25-0; Emburey 39-12-68-3; Tufnell 34-5-71-4; Feltham 10-3-20-0.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings

D L Haynes b Donald	1
M A Roseberry lbw b Donald	12
*M W Gatting lbw b N M K Smith	4
M R Ramprakash c Reeve b Booth	16
J D Carr not out	89
†K R Brown c Reeve b N M K Smith	5
M A Feltham b Donald	11
J E Emburey not out	43
Extras (b 13, lb 5, w 2, nb 4)	24
Total (6 wkts, 89 overs)	205

N F Williams, A R C Fraser and P C R Tufnell to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-18, 3-28, 4-40, 5-51, 6-90.

BOWLING: Donald 21-5-31-3; Munton 7-0-15-0; N M K Smith 32-5-78-2; Booth 21-4-52-1; Reeve 6-3-8-0; P A Smith 2-1-5-0.

Bonus points: Warwickshire 3, Middlesex 5.

Umpires: K E Palmer and P B Wight.

Lancashire v Glamorgan

OLD TRAFFORD *(second day of four; Lancashire won toss): Lancashire have scored 310 for nine wickets against Glamorgan*

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

M A Atherton b Barwick	63
J P Crawley c James b Watkin	9
N J Speak b Croft	13
G D Lloyd c James b Watkin	19
*N H Fairbrother b Croft	34
*M Watkinson c Metson b Lefebvre	49
P A J DeFreitas c Watkin b Barwick	40
†W K Hegg st Metson b Richards	12
G Yates c Cottey b Croft	37
G Chapple not out	24
A A Barnett not out	3
Extras (b 3, lb 3, w 1)	7
Total (9 wkts, 115 overs)	310

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-19, 2-52, 3-83, 4-122, 5-174, 6-215, 7-240, 8-258, 9-292.

BOWLING: Watkin 23-5-69-2; Lefebvre 22-9-38-1; Dale 5-0-13-0; Croft 32-8-101-3; Barwick 27-8-53-2, Richards 12-1-30-1.

GLAMORGAN: *H Morris, A Dale, M P Maynard, I V A Richards, P A Cottey, R D B Croft, R P Lefebvre, †C P Metson, S L Watkin, S R Barwick and S P James.

Bonus points: Lancashire 3, Glamorgan 4.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and B J Meyer.

Yorkshire v Northamptonshire

HARROGATE *(second day of four; Yorkshire won toss): Yorkshire have a first-innings lead of 71 runs over Northamptonshire*

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

A Fordham c Richardson b Robinson	23
N A Felton c Blakey b Robinson	10
R J Bailey c Blakey b Robinson	0
*A J Lamb b Hartley	16
M B Loye c Byas b Robinson	1
K M Curran c Richardson b Robinson	0
A L Penberthy c Moxon b Robinson	10
†D Ripley c Blakey b Robinson	1
A R Roberts c Richardson b Robinson	8
M N Bowen c Blakey b Robinson	19
J P Taylor not out	0
Extras (b 4, lb 3, nb 2)	9
Total (34.2 overs)	97

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-38, 2-38, 3-43, 4-45, 5-45, 6-68, 7-84, 8-71, 9-94.

BOWLING: Jarvis 3-0-16-0; Hartley 17-6-37-1; Robinson 14.2-3-37-9.

YORKSHIRE: First Innings

*M D Moxon b Curran	1
A P Grayson c Fordham b Curran	11
R B Richardson lbw b Bowen	58
D Byas c and b Penberthy	54
†R J Blakey c Fordham b Bowen	0
C White c Loye b Curran	15
P W Jarvis c Ripley b Curran	17
P J Hartley not out	2
R D Stemp c Ripley b Curran	0
J D Batty b Curran	0
M A Robinson lbw b Curran	0
Extras (lb 4, nb 6)	10
Total (60 overs)	168

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-31, 3-115, 4-115, 5-143, 6-165, 7-168, 8-168, 9-168.

BOWLING: Taylor 12-3-35-0; Curran 19-4-47-7; Bowen 14-3-37-2; Bailey 2-0-11-0; Penberthy 13-3-34-1.

Bonus points: Yorkshire 4, Northamptonshire 4.

Umpires: N T Plews and V A Holder.

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Excesses that put golf in the pink

AT LAST we have a group of sportsmen who make the Sunday League cricketers look like sensible, soberly-clad citizens of the sporting round. Yes, it has come to that time of the year again when the non-golfing world marvels at the sartorial excesses of golf as the Open plods its weary way round the Kent coast.

The top players are paid to wear these strange outfits, a matter that comes as no great surprise. But it seems the public is prepared to pay to wear the same things: of all the strange tales it has been my privilege to tell in this space, this is surely the strangest of all. Only golfing clothes can manage the extraordinary double of being extremely boring and eyeball-achingly garish.

I have a picture on my desk of Greg Norman, dressed stunningly in what is described as a Tic-Tac Yarn-Dye Polo in white, black and Solar Yellow, with trousers of Action Black — two pence change from 80 quid if you want to wear that little lot.

Further elements of the collection include polo shirts (are they playing polo as well, then?) in Raspberry, Lagoon and Midnight Navy with complementary sweaters "generously sized for the longest swing movement". Yes, it is macho to wear Raspberry, golf fans. We also have garments in Friction Green and (wait for it) Power Pink. I swear I have not made this up.

Champion Rose

This column's hero of the week can only be Hayley Rose, 13, from Isis Middle School in Oxford. On Monday, Isis won the Wrigley Softball Cricket finals at Edgbaston. They scored 219 for six, too much for Walter Street Primary School, of Pendle in Lancashire, who managed just 187. Thus Isis became the first winning team in the 13-year history of the tournament to include a girl.



SIMON BARNES

Sporting Diary

Faithful readers of this column will recall the cult of Truemanism, documented here in, as I remember, 1984. This is the phenomenon of a broadcaster making a remark that is immediately contradicted by events. Murray Walker revived the art with a perfect example last weekend: "Damon Hill looks as though ... and I must be careful what I say ... he is in line for his first grand prix win at Silverstone, but there's still some time to go." Sixteen seconds elapsed before Hill's exit from the race.

In the rough

As the Open continues, I hear of more diverting golf being played at Lyme Regis Golf Club in Dorset. A series of incidents have affected some of their more venerable members. Derek Gatley, 69, *managed to knock himself* out with his own club. Bob Roberts, 74, had his electric trolley take off without him. Finally, Len Wilshaw, 80, got lost when separated from his party in the fog.



Calling correct

Last week I pointed out that the eight toss-winning captains in the NatWest Trophy all elected to bat and all lost. Stephen Chevern writes to tell me that, on the same day, he "won a vital toss captaining Kingsbury Synagogue against Pinner Synagogue, elected to bat and chalked up our first win of the season. My considerations for batting may have been somewhat different to your illustrious list. At the start only five of us had arrived; only one bowler and no wicketkeeper. We batted in order of arrival to win by 18 runs. I suppose the Maccabi 20-over competition cannot be compared with the NatWest Trophy?".

This is pure Tewin Irregulars stuff, of course — which illustrious side was soundly thumped on Monday by a side called Vatican 2.

Bitter pill

I am impressed by a brilliant new football tactic unwittingly employed by the Chilean third division club, Iberia, in a crucial promotion match against their local rivals, Mulchen. After Iberia had lost 3-0, their physio, Wenceslaso Aguilera, admitted that he had given all his own players sleeping pills before the match. He told them they were vitamin C. Police are treating this as a bribery case, and it is believed that Aguilera received 100,00 pesos (around 100 quid) for the dirty deed. Carlos Contreras, the president of Iberia, said it was clear that the pills caused the defeat. "The players showed a strange apathy and lack of coordination," he said.

Jug short

Last week, I reported that a cricketer was charged four jugs after taking five wickets in five balls — one for each of three hat-tricks contained in this feat, and a further jug for a half-century. I pointed out that this should have been five jugs, because there was also a five-wicket haul in his feat. Now J. F. Ezechial writes to tell me that that the total should have been six. Five in five balls, he says, is clearly a hat-trick of hat-tricks.

Williams escapes action following enquiry into fuel

BY OLIVER HOLT, MOTOR RACING CORRESPONDENT

AN unexpected lull followed the latest Formula One storm yesterday when the sport's governing body, Fisa, decided not to punish Williams, Benetton, Ferrari and Sauber for the alleged use of irregular fuel at four of this season's grands prix.

Such is the spirit of anarchy raging through the sport, so trenchant does Fisa appear to have become in its battle to reduce the advantage of the leading teams, that it was thought it would follow up the decision on Thursday to ban high-tech active suspension and traction control in mid-season by docking Williams and its leading driver, Alain Prost, points from the races where they used the Elf fuel under question.

Since three of the four races were won by the Frenchman, that would have handed the lead in the drivers' championship back to Ayrton Senna. But yesterday, the president of Fisa, Max Mosley, announced no action was to be taken. "The information and explanations offered by the competitors concerned and by eminent experts from the relevant fuel suppliers have cast doubt on the accuracy of the tests which formed the basis of our report," he said.

"The benefit of any doubt must always be given to the competitor. Accordingly, we confirm that the results of the grands prix of San Marino, Spain, Monaco and Canada stand as published."

But the lull will not last long. Mosley may have felt he already had enough pending litigation to negotiate without provoking a new flood of protests. Williams, McLaren, Benetton and Lotus lodged appeals with the sport's international court of appeal in Lausanne as soon as they were told of the decision on Thursday which has plunged this year's championship into confusion.

The threat to ban the more advanced computer-aided innovations immediately was widely held to be a pragmatic device designed to force dissenting teams to fall into line with the plans to outlaw them for the 1994 and 1995 seasons. Its summary imposition, although it was welcomed by some of the smaller outfits like Tyrrell, caught teams and observers alike off guard.

Some of the leading teams are still sceptical about whether the ban will be enforced this season but although the ruling is hedged all around with imponderables such as the success or otherwise of the appeals, it now seems increasingly likely that cars will have to run without active suspension, traction control and anti-lock braking systems at the Hungarian grand prix on August 15 and thereafter.

That would be nothing short of a technical revolution, some would say apostasy. It would mean the abandonment of developments that technical directors like Patrick Head, of Williams, and John Barnard, of Ferrari, have spent years trying to perfect and would call into question Williams's ability to defend the constructors' championship it won last year and leads comfortably this year.

Barnard spent most of yesterday at Ferrari's British base in Surrey feverishly working on plans to field a passive car for the Budapest race. "I think Williams, Benetton and ourselves will be hardest hit by this ruling," he said. "But McLaren could be the chief beneficiaries because, effectively, they have a passive car. Technically, it is very basic and all they need to do really is turn off their active system to be back to passive without too many teething troubles.



Barnard: uncertainty

"Bearing in mind where they are in the constructors' championship, they could have a very good chance to catch up while Williams are straightening themselves out. It is still not certain the ruling will be imposed, but I would find it exceptional if the appeal committee overturned what Fisa has decreed."

The wrangling over active suspension and traction control is part of a wider battle in which Fisa is determined to reduce costs — McLaren recently sold its active suspension system to Footwork for £2 million — and halt the slide towards computer-controlled cars where the driver has become a reluctantly-accepted accessory.

But the drawn-out nature of the argument, the uncertainty over when developments will be outlawed, has not just left the public disillusioned, it has also infuriated the cars' designers. "The worst thing of all is not knowing," Barnard said. "The arguments about whether active would be banned for the 1994 season has played havoc with our programme, let alone this latest shock.

"We had been planning a new active car for the second half of this season but that was abandoned when everything got too political. Now we are stuck with a car that was only meant to last half a season.

"I am sitting here now looking at all sorts of ways of trying to achieve some form of rolling suspension in the car. We may have to run in Hungary with a very basic car that relies on the old springs and dampers," he added.

"We can make it work, but it will not be the optimum, just a compromise until we can develop something better. We have all been caught by surprise. Everyone expected to struggle through this year with active and then get hit on the head, but it seems as though it has already happened."

Britain's jumpers claim two medals in triple

TOSI Fasinro, with the team's first gold medal, and Julian Golley, who took bronze, illustrated the recent improvement in British triple jumping, at the World Student Games in Buffalo, New York, late on Thursday.

Fasinro's first-round leap of 16.91 metres proved just too far for the field as Oleg Sakirkin, of Kasakhstan, closed with 16.89 metres, a centimetre ahead of Golley's effort.

"It feels great," Fasinro said. "It's just starting to soak in. It seemed to take so long to end, watching the others shoot for you."

Vikki McPherson came close to bringing Britain a third medal when she finished fourth in the 10,000 metres in 32min 32.42sec, while Marcia Richardson reached the final of the 100 metres, finishing sixth in 11.69sec.

Immediately after the men's 100 metres — won by Daniel Effiong, of Nigeria, in a Games' record 10.07sec — Sam Jefferson, of the United States, who was second in 10.13sec, suggested the competition may have been tainted by drugs. "I don't believe our sport is drug free," he said. "I'm not even sure the race we just ran was drug free."

When Jefferson made his remarks at a post-race press conference, both Effiong and Glenroy Gilbert, of Canada, the bronze medal-winner in 10.14sec, were sitting at the press table.

Pressed to explain his remarks, Jefferson said: "It takes a legitimate 10.20 sprinter three years to get to 9.9, whereas an athlete on drugs can take two or three weeks.

"There is a natural progression one should take to increase the size, weight and performance of the athlete. I don't believe all those criteria have been met here."

Jefferson did not name anyone he suspected of drug abuse, but his remarks drew prompt reactions from his fellow medal winners.

"I know, being Canadian, what it means to be tested," Gilbert, a double Olympian whose compatriot, Ben Johnson, was banned for life last March after a second failed drug test, said. "Believe me, testing is very strict in our country."

"I feel it was a drug-free race," Effiong, a former basketball player and footballer who began running competitively three years ago, said. "I feel it is right to be tested at every competition. I don't think fingers should be pointed. Let the drug testing be done to determine who is clean and who isn't."

The rules governing the games require that at least the two top finishers and one randomly-selected finalist from each athletics event be tested for drugs. Officals ordered all three medal-winners and a random finalist from the men's 100 metres be tested.

Dahlia Duhaney, of Jamaica, won the women's 100 metres in 11.56sec. She needed the benefit of a photo-finish to edge out Liliana Allen, of Cuba (11.57sec), and Beatrice Utondu, of Nigeria (11.59sec).

The second day of the heptathlon was almost a formality for Urszula Wlodarczyk, of Poland, who coasted through her final three events and posted a total of 6,127 points, 193 more than the silver medal winner, Birgit Gautzsch, of Germany.

Wlodarczyk, who "won" all four events on the first day, recorded marks of 6.21 metres for the long jump, 36.50 metres for the javelin and 2min 16.73sec for the 800 metres.

"It didn't matter that I won none of today's events," she said. "I was thinking only of first place and no mistakes."

Zhou Tianhua, of China, won the women's shot with 19.14 metres. Zhou, who finished fifth at the 1991 world championships and 1992 Olympic Games, had won bronze and silver medals at the last two World Student Games. Mirela Dulgheru, of Romania, won the long jump with 6.69 metres.

JIM McKNIGHT



Golden moment: Fasinro on his way to victory

SPORT IN BRIEF

British hopes end in second round

BRITISH hopes ended in the Northern Electric Open tennis tournament in Newcastle yesterday. Andrew Foster, Mark Petchey and Miles Maclagan lost in the second round and, with Chris Bailey and Chris Wilkinson having already withdrawn injured, it left an all overseas quarter-final line-up for the £50,000 ATP Challenger event.

Foster lost 6-4, 6-4 to the Kenyan qualifier, Paul Wekesa, who got into the main draw only after Wilkinson's late withdrawal. Petchey was beaten in three sets by Sandor Noszaly, of Hungary, and Maclagan lost to Jonas Bjorkman, of Sweden, also in three sets.

Julie Pullin, of Great Britain, knocked out the second seed, Catherine Barclay, of Australia, 7-5, 0-6, 6-2 to reach the semi-finals of the LTA women's satellite tournament at Frinton yesterday. Pullin now meets Yuka Yoshida, of Japan. In the other half of the draw, Lucie Ahl beat the defending champion, Alison Smith, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2.

Ruddock offer rises

FOOTBALL: Neil Ruddock, the unsettled Tottenham Hotspur central defender, may be ready to join the steady stream of players heading for Blackburn Rovers. Blackburn yesterday increased their offer for Ruddock to £2.4 million, understood to be close to Tottenham's asking price, after an initial bid was turned down last week. Ruddock demanded a transfer from White Hart Lane last month after Terry Venables was dismissed as the club's chief executive.

Manchester City and Blackpool have agreed a fee of £1 million for Trevor Sinclair, the Blackpool winger. Sinclair, 20, also interests a number of other clubs but is keen to remain in the north west.

Jaguar appeal fails

MOTOR SPORT: Jaguar was yesterday disqualified from its GT class win in the Le Mans 24-hour race last month. Before the race, the technical eligibility of the TWR Jaguar team was questioned by the organisers, L'Automobile Club de l'Ouest, who argued that the turbo-charged cars should have catalytic converters fitted in their exhaust systems. The team appealed, allowing them to compete in the race, but Jaguar said yesterday that the disqualification had been made because the organisers claimed the team had not lodged the appeal.

Leng faces strong field

EQUESTRIANISM: Virginia Leng and Welton Houdini, her winner at Badminton, head a formidable field for the Althorp Maverick Championship at Althorp House, Northamptonshire, this weekend. The entries for this inaugural advanced horse trial include the Olympic three-day event champion, Matt Ryan, who gives his gold medal-winner, Kybah Tic Toc, his first outing since Barcelona, and Blyth Tait, the world champion, who rides Messiah, winner of the Olympic individual bronze medal.

Conner strikes gold

YACHTING: Dennis Conner crossed the finish line in Southampton yesterday to win the Royal Ocean Racing Club's Gold Cup transatlantic race in Winston, the yacht he may skipper in the Whitbread Round the World race. It was the American's first race in the yacht, which is co-skippered by Brad Butterworth, from New Zealand. Winston took just over 12 days, eight hours to cover the 3,000 miles from Manhattan to improve the record for a transatlantic race set by the schooner, Atlantic, in 1905 by about ten hours.

Grindley pulls out

ATHLETICS: David Grindley, Britain's leading 400 metres runner, yesterday joined the list of top athletes to miss the Panasonic world championship trials through injury. As the two-day AAA championships got under way in Birmingham, Gowry Retchakan, the 400 metres hurdler, sustained a back injury which could keep her out of the World Championships in Stuttgart next month. Grindley, 20, has been carrying a knee injury for several weeks and has withdrawn from today's 200 metres.

Lakota pursues record

YACHTING: David Scully and Steve Fossett set out from Hartlepool Marina shortly after 6pm tonight in a race against time to break the round Britain and Ireland record. The American crew, sailing the 60ft trimaran, Lakota, have until 7pm on Monday to complete the final 520-mile stage of the Teesside Round Britain and Ireland race and break the seven-day, seven-hour time set four years ago by Francois Boucher's 75ft French multihull, Saab Turbo. "It's certainly possible if the winds are kind to us," Scully said yesterday.

Surrey achieve aim

RIFLE SHOOTING: Surrey won the King George V Challenge Cup in the English county championship at Bisley yesterday for the fourth successive year and the sixteenth time in 19 years. Their team of eight, shooting at 200, 500 and 600 yards, scored 1188.113 out of 1,200, with top scores of 150 from David Armstrong and John Bellringer. Devon, with 1,179.150, were second, and Hertfordshire (1,176.154) third.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

BIRMINGHAM: Panasonic AAA championships (GB unless stated): Women: Hammer: 1, D Sosimenko (Aus), 56.86m (UK allcomers record), 2, E Augee, 52.22; 3, J Shaw, 51.78.

BATTERSEA PARK, London: Chemical Bank Corporate Challenge (3.5 miles): Men: 1, P Tootell (British Gas), 18min 16sec; 2, M Quinn (NatWest Bank), 16.22; 3, J Jennings (British Gas), 16.24; 4, E Martin (Ford), 16.25. Women: 1, W Sly (Harmsworth Publishing), 19.42; 2, A Fletcher (NatWest), 19.49; 3, N Mounly (NatWest), 20.12.

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: San Diego Padres 5, Philadelphia Phillies 2; San Francisco Giants 8, New York Mets 1; Cincinnati Reds Giants 8, New York Mets 1; Cincinnati Reds 7, Florida Marlins 4; Atlanta Braves 4, Pittsburgh Pirates 0; Chicago Cubs 1, Colorado Rockies 0; St Louis Cardinals 4, Houston Astros 2; Los Angeles Dodgers 3, Montreal Astros 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Cleveland Indians 7, California Angels 3; Oakland Athletics 8, New York Yankees 3; Baltimore Orioles 5, Minnesota Twins 3; Seattle Mariners 3, Boston Red Sox 2; Toronto Blue Jays 7, Kansas City Royals 2; Chicago White Sox 6, Milwaukee Brewers 4; Texas Rangers 12, Detroit Tigers 7.

BOWLS

ABERDEEN: Woolwich Scottish Masters: Section one: A Thomson (Eng) bt D Gourlay (Scot), 7-5, 7-3; S Adamson (Ire) bt R Provan (Scot), 2-7, 7-2, 7-5; Gourlay bt R Provan (Scot), 2-7, 7-2, 7-5; Thompson bt Provan, 4-7, 7-5, 7-1; Thompson bt Adamson 5-7, 7-6, 7-3. Section two: A Blair (Scot) bt R Corse (Scot), 7-2, 7-4; D Bryant (Scot) bt I Brown (Scot), 7-2, 5-7, 7-4; Blair bt Bryant, 7-3, 7-1; Corse bt Brown, 6-7, 7-1, 7-5. Section three: A Allcock (Eng) bt W Thomas (Wales), 7-4, 7-5; K Pirie (Scot) bt W W Wood (Scot), 6-7, 7-2, 7-3; Pirie bt Allcock, 7-3, 7-2. Thomas bt Wood, 7-4, 7-5. Section four: A Marshall (Scot) bt J Price (Wales), 7-3, 7-1; G Robertson (Scot) bt J Nolan (Ire), 2-7, 7-3, 7-1; Marshall bt Nolan, 7-0, 7-4; Robertson bt Price, 7-0, 7-0.

EASTBOURNE: Open tournament: Pairs: Quarter-finals: A Bishop (Rosslands) and J Kent (Parade) bt S Riggs and J Preston (Motcombe Gardens), 17-16; P Gander and L Ashton (Preston) bt R Phillips (Newdown, Powys) and W Hatto (Guildford), 29-22; T Brown and D Whetstone (Lindfield) bt P North and A Wright (Meads), 22-13; A Irons and G Irons (Knighton Victoria, Leicester) bt A Burgess and G McKeown (Parade), 17-12. Semi-finals: Gander and Ashton bt Bishop and Kent 30-10; Brown and Whetstone bt Irons and Irons, 18-17. Singles: Quarter-finals: R Cumming (Bellingham) bt O Ovett (Worthing), 21-18.

BOXING

KOBE, Japan: WBC flyweight championship: Yuri Arbachakov (Russ, holder) bt Yesles Zamudio (US), pts.

CRICKET

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Bedford School: Northamptonshire 233 and 70-0; Derbyshire 245-4 dec (J G S Steer 105, A S Rollins 77). Halesowen: Essex 281-8 dec, Worcestershire 204-8 dec (T M Hamilton 50 not out). The Oval: Somerset 248 and 74-0 dec; Surrey 77-4 dec and 246-3 (R I Alikhan 88, M A Butcher 70 not out). Surrey won by 7 wickets. Meaches abandoned: Hove: Sussex 184-5 (N J Lenham 111 not out) v Hampshire. Gloucester (King's School): Kent 115 (M C J Ball 4-35); Gloucestershire 146-5. Leicester: Leicestershire v Glamorgan. Old Edwardians CC: Warwickshire v Middlesex.

EQUESTRIANISM

LA BAULE, France: Nations cup: 1, Orient de Fraiburg (P Delaveau, Fr); 2, Quinta C (W Melliger, Switz), 3, Sherken di San Patrignano (F Fourcade, Sp).

GOLF

NEW ROCHELLE, New York: Women's tournament: First round (US unless stated): 68: K Lunn (Aus), D Andrews, J Geddes, L Miller, 69: N White (Can), L Gerbesz, T Green, V Fergon, H Kobayashi (Japan), 70: P Johnson (GB), M Zimmerman. 71: E King

MOTOR RALLYING

ARGENTINE RALLY (after first leg): 1, J Kankkunen (Fin), Toyota Celica GT4, 1hr 51min 46sec; 2, M Biasion (It), Ford Escort, 1:52:23; 3, G Trelles (Uru), Lancia Delta, 1:55:19; 4, D Auriol (Fr), Toyota Celica GT4, 1:58:11; equal 5, C Menem Jr (Arg), Ford Escort, Mohamed Bin Sulayem (UAE), Ford Escort (GB), 2:01:45.

HOCKEY

PHILADELPHIA: Women's intercontinental cup: Germany 3, Italy 0; India 0, United States 1; Argentina 1, France 0. Pool B: New Zealand 1, Russia 1.

ROWING

DOGGETT'S COAT AND BADGE: 1, J Clifford (Gravesend); 2, R Franklin (Ilford); 3, S Nelcho; 4, D McCarthy.

STRATHCLYDE: National championships: Boys: Junior 14: Quads: Sir William Bolsse's: doubles: George Herlon's: Singles: A Werner (Maidstone Invicta). Girls: Junior 14 quads: George Watson's; Doubles: Queen Elizabeth HS; Singles: S Edwards (Stourport).

SHOOTING

BISLEY: NRA Imperial meeting: King George V cup (English county championship): 1, Surrey, 1,189.113 (D Armstrong 150); 2, Devon, 1,179.150 (G Cann 149); 3, Hertfordshire, 1,176.154 (J Thompson 149.20). Schools: Ashburton shield: 1, Epsom College, 518.47pts; 2, RGS Guildford, 518.34; 3, Elizabeth College, Guernsey, 515.39. Kinder Cup (300 yds): Epsom, 261.25. Green Howards and Country Life trophy (500 yds): RGS Guildford, 260.18. Cadet fours: 1, Grasshm's, 255.18; 2, Cheltenham, 248.16; 3, Wellington, 247.17. Cadet pairs: 1, Sevenoaks, 128.09; 2, Malvern, 128.07; 3, Gresham's, 128.01. Cheltenham cup (Ashburton Plate foung): Cheltenham, 760.51. Schools aggregate: Sedbergh, 1,267.35. Rutland county cup: Cheltenham, 728.51. Spencer-Mellish (individual): Morton (Woodbridge). Cadets national match: 1, England, 803.83 (P Patel 104-15); 2, Scotland, 785.75; 3, Channel Islands, 772.55. Inraigh cup (500 yds): 1, J Oliver-Bellasis (Wellington), 35.6/22.2; 2, M Boston (Greshams's), 35.6/22.1; 3, C Biggs (Rugby), 35.5. Wellington cup (300 yds): 1, T Raincock (Epsom), 35.7; 2, Patel, 35.6; 3, H Nason (Bloxham), 35.6. Veterans' trophy (A teams): 1, Old Epsomians, 266.32; 2, Old Victorians, 265.36; 3, Old Glenalmond, 245.33. Dulwich cup (second teams): 1, Old Marlburians, 242.29, 2, Old Victorians, 240.26; 3, Uppingham Vets, 240.24. Whitgift cup (third teams): 1, Old Marlburians, 235.19; 2, Old Guildfordians, 234.22; 3, Old Epsomians, 233.18. Veterans' aggregate cup: 1, Old Epsomians, 720.70; 2, Old Marlburians, 717.69; 3, Old Guildfordians, 707.67. Gamy cup: 1, Wellington College, 499.31; 2, Canadian Army Cadets A, 481.24.

TENNIS

DAVIS CUP: World group: Quarter-finals: The Hague: Sweden lead Holland, 2-0 (Swedish names first: M Gustafsson bt P Haarhuis, 5-7, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3; M Larsson bt R Krajicek, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4); Prelius: France lead India, 1-0 (French name first: A Boetsch bt R Krishnan, 6-3, 6-3, 6-1). Euro/African zone: Group two: Second round: Bulgaria level with South Africa, 1-1. Play-off: Ghana lead Cyprus, 2-0.

NEWCASTLE: Northern Electric Open: Men's singles: Second round: E Winogradsky (Fr) bt M Stadling (Swe), 6-4, 6-2; S Noszaly (Hun) bt M Petchey (GB), 0-6, 7-6, 6-2; J Bjorkman (Swe) bt M MacLagan (GB), 6-2, 4-6, 6-4, S You (Aus) bt N Marques (Por), 7-6, 6-2; A Moroz (Ger) bt J Carrasco (Sp), 7-6, 6-4; V Saratopadre (It) bt S Sanson (Fr), 6-2, 6-3; J Sánchez (Sp) bt T Nelson (US), 6-0, 7-6.

FRINTON: LTA women's satellite tournament: Quarter-finals: S Parhomenko (Russ) bt A van Buuren (Holl), 1-6, 7-5, 7-5; L Ahl bt A Smith, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2; Y Yoshida (Japan) bt H Mochizuki (Japan), 7-5, 6-1; J Pullin bt C Barclay (Aus), 7-5, 0-6, 6-2.

PRAGUE: Women's tournament: Second round: I Gorrochategui (Arg) bt A Carlsson (Swe), 6-2, 6-1; M Babel (Ger) wo H Rusch (Ger), scr: N Muns-Jagerman (Holl) bt L Ghirardi (It), 4-6, 6-4, 6-3; A Strnadova (Cz) bt R Bobkova (Cz), 6-4, 7-5; P Tarabini (Arg) bt S Frankl (Ger), 6-2, 3-6, 6-2; N Medvedeva (Ukr) bt L Golarsa (It), 4-6, 7-6, 7-5; L Ferrando (It) bt K Habsudova (Slovakia), 6-3, 0-6, 6-1. H Kalesa (Can) bt C Dahlman (Swe), 6-3, 2-6, 6-4.

KITZBUHEL: Women's tournament: Second round: J Wiesner (Austria) bt S Dopler (Austria), 6-1, 6-2.

BROOKLINE, Massachusetts: US professional championships: Third round (US unless stated): 1 Lend bt P Lundgren (Swe), 8-1, 7-5; P Baur (Ger) bt R Reneberg, 8-2, 7-5; N Kroon (Swe) bt A Volkov (Russ), 6-2, 8-3; A Kratzstein bt V Spadea, 6-2, 7-5.

WORLD STUDENT GAMES

BUFFALO, New York: Athletics: Men: 100m: 1, D Effiong (Nigeria), 10.07, 2, S Jefferson (US), 10.13; 3, G Gilbert (Can), 10.14. Triple jump: 1, T Fasinro (GB), 16.91m; 2, O Sakirkin (Kaz), 16.89; 3, J Golley (GB), 16.88. Discus: 1, A Elizalde (Cuba), 62.96; 2, A Olukoju (Nigeria), 62.86, 3, N Sweeney (Ire), 62.52. Women: 100m: 1, D Duhaney (Jam), 11.56, 2, L Allen (Cuba), 11.57; 3, B Utondu (Nigeria), 11.60. British placing: 6, M Richardson, 11.69. 10,000m: 1, I Negusa (Rom), 32.22.66; 2, S Cns (Ug), 32.26.68; 3, C Tecuta (Rom), 32.29.18. 4, V McPherson (GB), 32.32.42. Long jump: 1, M Dulgheru (Rom), 6.69; 2, V Moner-Enweani (Can), 6.57; 3, D Saunders (Bah), 6.53. Shot: 1, Z Tianhua (China), 19.17m; 2, B Laza (Cuba), 18.46; 3, K Koch (Ger), 16.70. British placing: 9, S Andrews, 15.48. Heptathlon: 1, U Wlodarczyk (Pol), 6,127pts; 2, B Gautzsch (Ger), 5,934; 3, K Blair (US), 5,926. 10km walk: 1, Long Yuwen (China), 46min 16.75sec; 2, O Leonenko (Ukr), 46.16.40; 3, L Ramszanova (Russ), 46.18.58.

Basebsal: Canada 11, Italy 0, Cuba 10, South Korea 5; Japan 5, Taiwan 1.

Basketball: Men: Turkey 90, Switzerland 77; South Korea 117, Hong Kong 73; Gabon 81, Morocco 48; Latvia 72, Japan 62; Estonia 67, Sweden 64; Israel 77, Croatia 73; Finland 120, Lebanon 72; Britain 78, Greece 70; Czech Republic 101, Ireland 86 Women: Taiwan 117, Hong Kong 35; Russia 89, Ukraine 59; Kazakhstan 99, Israel 58; Germany 85, Japan 65; Sweden 111, Romania 61.

Fencing: Women's team foil: 1, Italy; 2, Germany; 3, France.

Football: Men: Semi-finals: Czech Republic 4, Britain 1: Germany 0, Korea 0 (3-5 on penalties)

Swimming: Men: 50m freestyle: 1, D Fox (US), 22.30sec. 2, B Kuzza (US), 22.41; 3, K Kondzbilka (Can), 22.93. 1,500m freestyle: 1, R Darzyniewicz (US), 15min 33.96sec; 2, M Formenton (It), 15:36.43; 3, M Fujimoto (Japan), 15:40.19. 200m individual medley: 1, P Walker (GB), 2.04.48; 2, V Valdayev (Rus), 2.04.64; 3, Jennings (US), 2.05.71 Women: 50m freestyle: 1, Le Jingyi (China), 25.17, 2, Ye Baibei (China), 25.77; 3, R Deppol (US), 25.86. 4 x 200m freestyle relay: 1, Canada, 8:18.00; 2, Brasn, 8:26.57; 3, France, 8:31.01. Diving: Women's team event: 1, China, 1,684.20pts; 2, Canada, 1,634.26; 3, United States, 1,594.29

Tennis: Men's singles: Semi-finals: J Hunter (GB) bt Yoon Bok Kyu (Kor), 6-3, 6-1; Shin Hen Chool (Kor) bt Zhang Juhua (China), 6-2, 6-1. Women's singles: Semi-finals: Yi Jingqian (China) bt S Smith (GB), 6-2, 6-3; K Shibata (Japan) bt O Gravereaux (Fr), 6-1, 6-4. Mixed doubles: Final: R Hiraki and N Harada (Japan) bt K Kunegan and S Sergisian (Arm), 6-3, 5-7, 6-1.

Volleyball: Men: Kazakhstan 3, Italy 1; Australia 3, Greece 0; United States 3, China 2, Algeria 3, Germany 0; Spain 3, Indonesia 0. Canada 3, France 1 Women: Semi-final: United States 3, Switzerland 1; Romania 3, Japan 1.

Water polo: Slovakia 8, Canada 7, France 13, Romania 8; Kazakhstan 10, Japan 8, Australia 9, China 7.

YACHTING

ABERSOCH: Henri Lloyd J24 world championships: Fifth race: 1, R Martinez (It); 2, I Southworth (GB); 3, C Simmonds (GB); 4, I Walker (Aus); 5, S Boquerizas (Arg); 6, J Scholten (Aus) Race 6: 1, J Johnstone (US); 2, I Boshhorst (Aus); 3, C Lerson (US), 4, K Read (US); 5, S Wilsen (US); 6, Simmonds. Final overall placings: 1, Read, 9.25pts; 2, T Hutchinson (USA), 25.75; 3, Boquerizas, 36; 4, Larson, 36; 5, Walker, 39; 6, Wilsen, 40.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Ipswich 59, Coventry 49 Postponed: Second division: Oxford v Long Eaton.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

Britannic Assurance *county championship*

11.0, 110 overs minimum

Third day of four

SOUTHEND: Essex v Leicestershire

PORTSMOUTH: Hampshire v Worcestershire

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Glamorgan

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Somerset

GUILDFORD: Surrey v Gloucestershire

ARUNDEL: Sussex v Kent

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Middlesex

HARROGATE: Yorkshire v Northamptonshire

Tetley Bitter Challenge

11.0, 104 overs minimum

First day of three

DURHAM UNIVERSITY: Durham v Australians

OTHER SPORT

ATHLETICS: Panasonic AAA championships (Birmingham).

GOLF: Open Championship. Third round (Royal St George's).

SHOOTING: NRA Imperial meeting (Bisley).

TENNIS: Northern Electric Open (Newcastle); Reebok LTA women's satellite tournament (Frinton-on-Sea).

TOMORROW

AXA Equity & Law League

12.0, 55 overs

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Middlesex

GUILDFORD: Surrey v Gloucestershire

HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire v Northamptonshire

HOVE: Sussex v Kent

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Glamorgan

PORTSMOUTH: Hampshire v Worcestershire

SOUTHEND: Essex v Leicestershire

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Somerset

Tetley Bitter Challenge

11.0, 104 overs minimum

Second day of two

DURHAM UNIVERSITY: Durham v Australians

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP (first day of two): Falmouth: Cornwall v Wales; Hertford: Hertfordshire v Cumberland; Cleethorpes: Lincolnshire v Norfolk; St Edward's School: Oxfordshire v Dorset. Shifnal: Shropshire v Devon.

FOOTBALL

EUROPEAN UNDER-18 CHAMPIONSHIPS: Group One: Portugal v Romania (Sincil Bank, Lincoln); Hungary v Turkey (Hillsborough, Sheffield). Group Two: Holland v Spain (Beccot Stadium, Walsall). England v France (Victoria Ground, Stoke)

OTHER SPORT

ATHLETICS: Panasonic AAA championships (Birmingham).

GOLF: Open Championship: Final round (Royal St George's); English women's county finals (Hayling GC).

SHOOTING: NRA Imperial meeting (Bisley).

TENNIS: Northern Electric Open (Newcastle)

Roscoli takes turn in Tour spotlight

By Our Sports Staff

WITH the exertions of the Alps behind them and the mountain stages of the Pyrenees yet to come, the serious contenders for this year's Tour de France took the day off yesterday.

The longest stage of this year's race — a 179-mile route from the Alpine town of Isola to the coastal city of Marseilles — offered an ideal opportunity for Miguel Induráin and his challengers to put the week's tortuous climbs behind them, shake the stiffness from their legs and leave the starring roles, if only temporarily, to the bit-part players. Fabio Roscoli, until now as anonymous a rider as any in the 1993 race, took his cue accordingly.

Beginning the day in 123rd place, more than an hour behind Induráin overall and with no chance of challenging for the yellow jersey, Roscoli seized his moment with 112 miles still to go to Marseilles, embarking on a breakaway that, courageously, he maintained until the finish, recording a time of 7hr 29min 44sec. Massimo Ghirotto, also of Italy, finished more than nine minutes behind him in second place, ahead of Vladimir Poulnikov, of Ukraine, with the péloton, including Induráin, celebrating his 29th birthday, more than 20 minutes behind the winner. Predictably perhaps, the Spaniard's overall lead was unchanged by the day's events.

For Tony Rominger, though, the Swiss cyclist who pipped Induráin in both the tenth and eleventh stages, there was a drama just three miles from the finish. He was involved in a fall, suffered cuts and bruises, but recovered in time to rejoin the péloton, finish 44th and remain in contention.

After his superb efforts of the previous day — when he led by more than a minute over the Col de la Bonette-Restefond, the highest point on the Tour, only to be overtaken on the final run-in and finish seventh — Robert Millar, of Scotland, was also happy to remain in the pack, finishing 35th.

Roscoli, 27, an unsung workhorse with the Carrera team, had waited seven years for his first Tour stage win — indeed, his first win as a professional — and admitted afterwards that he had not pushed himself as hard as he could during the Alpine climbs on Wednesday and Thursday: "I saved my legs a little bit for today," he said. "We'll see tomorrow whether all the effort destroyed me."

At least he has survived thus far: after Greg LeMond left the field before even a pedal had been pushed, complaining of a allergy problem, a flurry of riders called it a day during the Tour's first venture into the mountains. Yesterday, Lance Armstrong, the talented United States champion, joined the list of absentees when he failed to start the stage at Isola following his exertions in the Alps. Armstrong, 21, finished an exhausted 97th on Thursday and felt he was unable to continue.

Laurent Fignon, of France, twice a Tour champion, Mario Cipollini, of Italy, and Wilfried Nelissen, of Belgium, both of whom had led early in this year's race, have also pulled out, while Gianni Bugno, the Italian most favoured to challenge Induráin before the Tour began, has faded badly to thirteenth place, 23min 32sec in arrears. Alex Zülle, of Switzerland, is in even worse shape in sixteenth place, 24min adrift and with his hopes of victory in tatters.

Yet, if Induráin appears to have a clear path to his third title, he was having none of it yesterday: "I can say things went pretty well in the two stages in the Alps," he said. "Some rivals are left behind but I discovered new opponents in Rominger, Alvaro Mejia [of Colombia] and Zenon Jaskula [of Poland]. Nothing is won yet."

Mejia lies in second place, 3min 23sec behind Induráin, Jaskula in third, 4min 31sec behind, and Rominger fourth, 5min 44sec behind the leader.

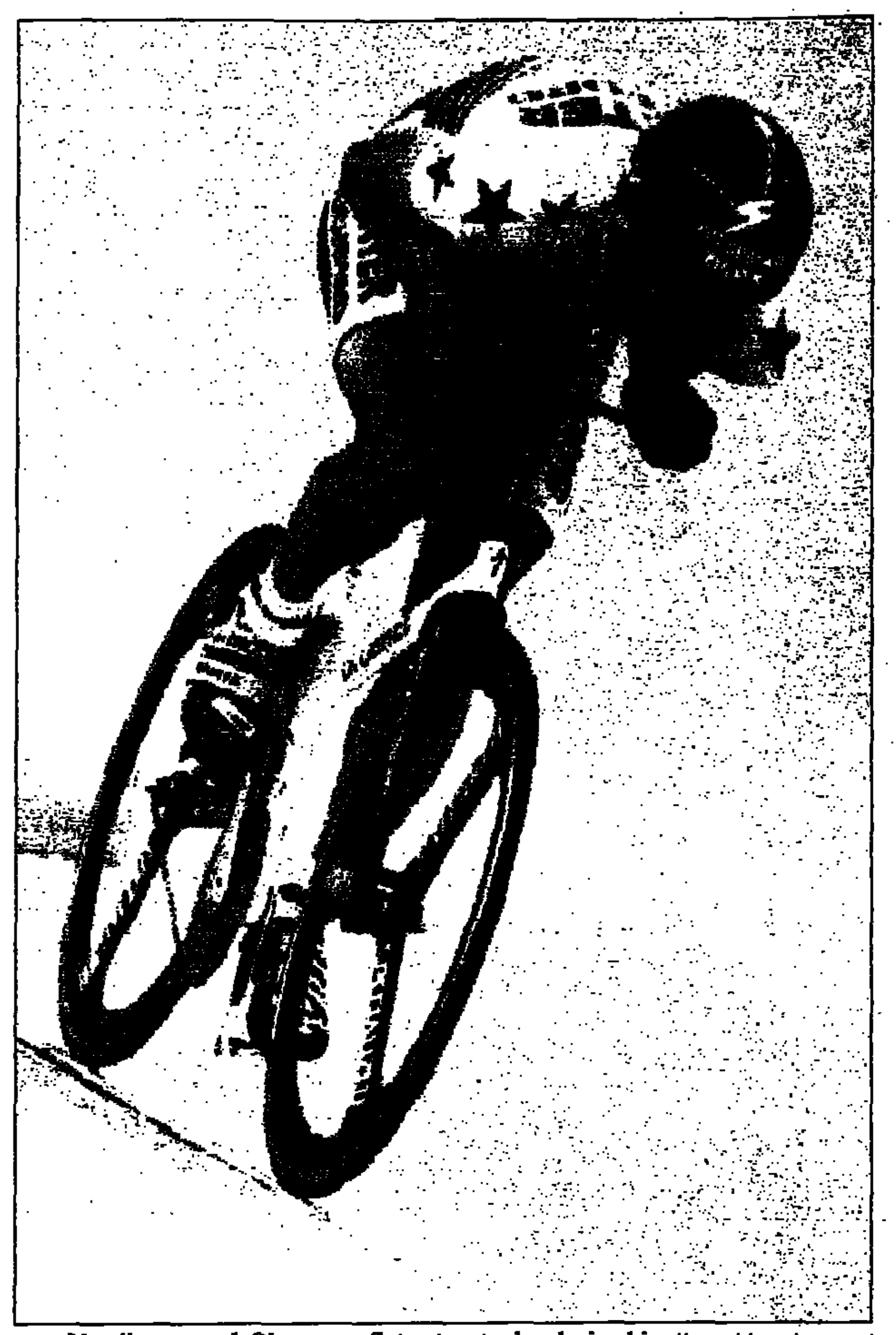
TOUR DETAILS

TWELFTH STAGE (Isola to Marseilles, 287.5km): 1, F Roscioli (It), Carrera, 7hr 29min 44sec; 2, M Ghirotto (It), ZG Mobili, at 7min 14sec; 3, V Poulnikov (Ukr), Carrera, same time; 4, V Tebaldi (It), Gatorade, at 7:17; 5, D Abdoujaparov (Uzbekistan), Lampre, at 7:34; 6, L Jalabert (Fr), ONCE, same time; 7, F Ballerini (It), GB-MG, at 7:36; 8, O Ludwig (Ger), Telekom, at 8:25; 9, A Tafi (It), Carrera, same time; 10, R Virenque (Fr), Festina, at 16:58; 11, F Moncassin (Fr), Wordperfect, at 18:07; 12, F Pineau (Fr), Chazal; 13, L Madouas (Fr), Castorama, both same time; 14, J Svorada (Slovakia), Lampre, at 20:35; 15, J Museeuw (Bel), GB-MG; 16, V Ekimov (Russ), Novemail; 17, B Riis (Den), Ariostea; 18, J van de Laer (Bel), Lotto; 19, C Chiappucci (It), Carrera; 20, B Hamburger (Den), TVM, all same time. Other positions: 25, S Roche (Ire), at 20:35; 35, R Millar (GB), at 20:35; 63, S Yates (GB), at 21:02.

OVERALL (after 12 stages): 1, M Induráin (Sp), Banesto, 54hr 29min 39sec; 2, A Mejia (Col), Motorola, at 3min 23sec; 3, Z Jaskula (Pol), GB-MG, at 4:31; 4, T Rominger (Switz), Clas, at 5:44; 5, Riis, at 10:26; 6, A Hampsten (US), Motorola, at 11:12; 7, Chiappucci, at 14:09; 8, Poulnikov, at 14:21; 9, E Breukink (Holl), ONCE, at 14:54; 10, P Delgado (Sp), Banesto, at 15:32; 11, O Rincon (Col), Amaya, at 21:17; 12, A Martin (Sp), Amaya, at 22:07; 13, G Bugno (It), Gatorade, at 23:05; 14, J-P Dojwa (Fr), Festina, at 23:40; 15, R Conti (It), Ariostea, at 23:48; 16, A Zuelle (Switz), ONCE, at 24:00; 17, A Elli (It), Ariostea, at 25:00; 18, F Echave (Sp), Clas, at 25:31; 19, T Bourguignon (Fr), Castorama, at 25:37; 20, S Roche (Ire), Carrera, at 25:50; 33, Millar, at 34:18; 68, Yates, at 57:20.

TODAY'S STAGE: Thirteenth: (Marseilles to Montpellier, 182km. Tomorrow: Fourteenth (Montpellier to Perpignan, 224km).

Obree falls short with first attempt



Not discouraged: Obree goes flat out yesterday during his attempt to set a new one-hour record. He tries again today. Photograph: Phil O'Connor

By Peter Bryan

GRAEME Obree, the Scottish amateur cyclist, said yesterday that he remained determined to realise his dream of breaking the world one-hour record after his first attempt ended in failure in Norway.

Obree finished 462 metres short of his goal at the indoor velodrome at Hamar to leave the former professional world champion, Francesco Moser, of Italy, still the holder, nine years after covering 51.15km at altitude in Mexico.

Obree has such determination that he will make another attempt today to improve on Moser's distance, although most competitors with experience at international level would query his decision to try again so soon, subjecting his body to the strains of riding at an average speed of 32mph.

Obree, 27, from Ayr, a part-time marketing consultant, who was almost unknown before the attempt, has designed his own machine and adopted a unique riding style, crouched with his chest resting on the handlebars.

In training last week on the Norwegian track that hosts this year's world championships next month, Obree comfortably exceeded Moser's record.

He knows that if he does not succeed this weekend he could lose out to Chris Boardman, the Olympic champion, who is making his effort in Bordeaux next Friday.

"I'm disappointed for Graeme, I thought he was going to do it," the Barcelona pursuit gold medal-winner said.

Boardman is confident he can set a record mark. "I have been preparing for seven months and it's the only thing I have been thinking about. It will be tough but I think I can do it."

Obree confessed that the pressure of media interest had told on him during his preparations and also admitted a tactical error as he sat by the track trying to analyse what went wrong.

Encouraged by his speed in training last week, Obree believed that a higher gear would help him to the record. From, in conventional terms, his normally unusually high gear of 116 inches, Obree yesterday raised it to 120 inches. "That was my mistake. I thought I could get the big gear round," he said.

Consolation, however small, was that Obree's intermediate 10km time of 11min 31.9sec was 18 seconds faster than Moser's when the Italian broke the world sea-level record at Stuttgart five years ago.

Earlier this year the world controlling body decided to scrap separate records for indoor and outdoor tracks and also those established at sea level and at altitude.

Now, only the best performance whatever the conditions are accepted as world records.



Boardman: making his bid next week

Postman delivers series of shocks

By David Rhys Jones

KEVIN Pirie, of Bonnymuir, the least experienced competitor at the Woolwich Scottish Masters bowls championship at Aberdeen, yesterday upstaged all the world-class players taking part.

Pirie, 32, a postman who qualified from the Aberdeen play-offs in May, strolled down to Westburn Park and cheekily collected the scalps of Tony Allcock, the world outdoor singles champion, Will Thomas, who came fourth in the world singles at Worthing last year, and Scotland's most famous bowler, Willie Wood.

Challenging Pirie for pride of place on the opening day was David Bryant, who will be 62 in October. Bryant, who has been struggling with a painful back condition this season, pulled out some fine shots to beat Richard Corsie, the world indoor singles champion, and the British junior singles champion, Ian Brown, on his way into the quarter-finals.

Today, Bryant takes on Stevie Adamson, of Ireland, for a place in the semi-finals, while Pirie faces a formidable fellow Scot, Alex Marshall, who won three world championship gold medals last year.

Andy Thompson, an Anglo-Scot, challenges the holder, Angus Blair, and Graham Robertson, the 1989 champion, meets Allcock.

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Mexicans hold key to Packer success

By John Watson

THE finals of the Davidoff British Open polo championships, involving four matches, will be staged at Cowdray Park, Sussex, over the weekend. This afternoon, Hector Perrodo's team, Labegorce, will take on Urs Schwarzenbach's Black Bears for the Jack Gannon Trophy (third places in the leagues), and Cowdray Park will play Les Lions for the Tatham Cup (fourth places).

Tomorrow afternoon's programme will start at 3pm with the challenge for the top award, the Davidoff Gold Cup, between Kerry Packer's second quartet, Ellerston Black, and Alcatel, who are put together by John Manconi, the Canadian player-patron. Brook Johnson's C S Brooks will then face Bill Bond-Elliot's Aston Martin — the beaten Gold Cup semi-finalists — for the Ashton Cup.

The favourites for the Gold Cup, Ellerston Black and the American team, C S Brooks, met in a semi-final. The other rivals, Alcatel and Aston Martin, were considered of lower calibre. C S Brooks, the team with the best balance in the tournament, have enjoyed an impressive British open career under the fine captaincy of the Virginian 9-goaler, Owen Rinehart, ably supported by his compatriot, Adam Snow. The two young English members of that team, Julian Daniels and Roddy Vere Nicoll, have looked appreciably above their modest handicaps. This team's string of ponies, too, is as high quality as Packer's.

Ellerston Black must be the most strongly fancied to carry off the Gold Cup. Their central strength is the Mexicans, Carlos Gracida and Roberto Gonzalez, whose mutual understanding and ball control are a joy to watch. Kerry Packer's son, James, who fills the back slot, is another who appears to be under-handicapped. And the No 1, Roddy Williams, plays his position like an experienced tactician.

ELLERSTON BLACK: 1, R Williams (3); 2, R Gonzalez (7); 3, C Gracida (10); back, J Packer (3).
ALCATEL: 1, P Webb (1); 2, G Donoso (9); 3, P Alberdi (10); back, I Gonzalez (3).
C S BROOKS: 1, J Daniels (2); 2, A Snow (9); 3, O Rinehart (9); back, R Vere Nicoll (2).
ASTON MARTIN: 1, J Rives (6); 2, J Horswell (5); 3, P Heguy (10); back, W Bond-Elliot (1).
LABEGORCE: 1, B Webb (2); 2, G Heguy (10); 3, H Heguy (10); back, H Perrodo (1).
BLACK BEARS: 1, U Schwarzenbach (1); 2, S Merlos (9); 3, P Merlos (10); back, J Dixon (4).
COWDRAY PARK: 1, Hon C Pearson (2); 2, M Vidou (7); 3, M Glue (6); back, Lord C Beresford (6).
LES LIONS: 1, T Stakemire (3); 2, G Caset (8); 3, E Trotz (10); back, M Gottschalk (1).

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5 34 PHILMIC 21 M Hammond 3-8-11 J Marshall (7) 2
6 40 QUARRELLING 15 F Lee 3-8-11 K Darley 4
7 00 KAHLO 12 M W Easterby 3-8-6 M Birch 6

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3 3411 DOKKHA OYSTON 12 (D,F,G,S) J Berry 5-9-3 J Carroll 4
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5 6020 HOB GREEN 21 (BF,D,F) Mrs J Ramsden 4-8-10 K Fallon 1
6 S012 VELOCE 9 (F,G) A Bailey 5-8-8 A Mackay 6
7 0004 PALLIUM 14 (F,G) M Naughton 5-8-4 A Culhane 5
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11 0014 SECOND COLOURS 2 (D,F) Mrs M Reveley 3-7-7 Darren Moffatt (5) 3

7-2 For The Present, 4-1 Hob Green, 5-1 Dokkha Oyston, Cumbrian Waltzer, 6-1 Veloce, 8-1 Diet, Second Colours, 10-1 Pallium, 14-1 others.

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7 -134 BOLD ACRE 2 (D,S) D Barchell 3-8-2 L Charnock 2
8 -526 SIR ARTHUR HOBBS 16 (CD,F,G) F Lee 6-7-13 N Kennedy (3) 6
9 3004 RUNRIG 28 Miss L Perratt 3-7-7 F Norton 1

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2 2422 DRUMDONNA 2 (CD,G,S) J Berry 9-2 J Carroll 10
3 2513 MAGICATION 28 (F) J Balding 9-2 Claire Balding (7) 6
4 6233 MISSED THE BOAT 16 (B) T Barron 8-13 K Darley 5
5 5505 NICKNAME 23 Mrs J Ramsden 8-5 K Fallon 4
6 -400 ADAMPARIS 28 (B) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-3 T Williams 1
7 -506 DUSKY DUCHESS 19 (V) Miss L Perratt 7-12 F Norton 9
8 0000 FREDDIE JACK 23 (B) F Lee 7-10 N Kennedy (3) 3
9 00-0 FLASH OF JOY 18 D Barchell 7-7 L Charnock 7
10 0-00 EVAHART 47 M Hammond 7-7 J Marshall (7) 2

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4 CRISTAL SPRINGS A Harrison 8-9 J Fortune 2
5 52 CUT THE RED TAPE 39 (BF) M Johnston 8-9 T Williams 1
6 00 DURHAM DRAPES 22 M H Easterby 8-9 M Birch 5
7 40 GLORETTE 32 R Guest 8-9 K Fallon 8
8 0 STRATHTORE DREAM 28 Miss L Perratt 8-9 F Norton 4

11-10 Cut The Red Tape, 5-2 Diamond Frontier, 7-1 Glorette, 8-1 Durham Drapes, 10-1 Auckland Castle, 12-1 All In The Mind, 14-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: Mrs J Ramsden, 14 winners from 58 runners, 24.1%; T Barron, 8 from 40, 20%; Mrs M Reveley, 7 from 44, 15.9%; J Berry, 29 from 198, 14.6%; M H Easterby, 14 from 96, 14.6%; M W Easterby, 6 from 41, 14.6%; D Moffatt, 4 from 29, 13.8%.

JOCKEYS: J Marshall, 3 winners from 10 rides, 30%; K Darley, 31 from 180, 17.2%; M Birch, 17 from 104, 16.3%; J Fortune, 8 from 54, 14.8%; J Carroll, 19 from 152, 12.5%; K Fallon, 12 from 115, 10.4%.

☐ Platini, the German champion, was yesterday confirmed a definite starter in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot a week today. The four-year-old, winner of the group one Gran Premio di Milano in last month, will be ridden by Mark Rimmer. He is quoted at 12-1 by William Hill.

LINGFIELD PARK

THUNDERER
6.00 Stalled. 6.30 Dances With Risk. 7.00 Biljan. 7.30 Lavender Cottage. 8.00 Dancing Sensation. 8.30 Halham Tarn.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT; ALL-WEATHER: STANDARD SIS
DRAW: HIGH NUMBERS BEST UP TO 7F 140YD;
ALL-WEATHER: 5F-1M, LOW TO MIDDLE NUMBERS BEST

6.00 ARUNDEL APPRENTICE MAIDEN HANDICAP
(All-weather: £2,660: 1m 2f) (8 runners)

1 5423 OUR EDDIE 8 (BF,V) B Gubby 4-9-13 F Savage (7) 5
2 2442 STALLED 9 (V) P Walwyn 3-9-10 G Mitchell 8
3 0324 WITHOUT A FLAG 25 (BF) C Cyzer 3-9-9 Michael Hunt (8) 1
4 0580 SIR THOMAS BEECHAM 4 (E) S Dow 3-9-7 A Martinez (8) 2
5 3330 MARATHIA 26 (V) S Woods 3-9-6 A Liggins (10) 4
6 50-4 SHARRO 38 P Kelleway 3-9-5 J Dennis (5) 6
7 -205 PATONG BEACH 17 (BF) J Hills 3-9-2 M Henry (10) 3
8 0205 JULIASDARKINVADER 7 A Moore 3-8-11 L Carter (5) 7

9-4 Stalled, 11-4 Our Eddie, 4-1 Without A Flag, 5-1 Sharro, 11-2 others.

6.30 WORTH SELLING STAKES
(2-Y-O: £2,499: 5f) (11)

1 310 DANCES WITH RISK 12 (D,S) G Lewis 8-13 G Hind 11
2 6000 CRAFTY CRICKETER 18 R Voorspuy 8-11 S Dawson 3
3 00 FIRST SHOT 37 P Hedger 8-11 M Perrett 10
4 2250 MONKEY'S WEDDING 22 (V) J Berry 8-11 G Carter 5
5 00 QUEEN'S ADMIRAL 5 A Jarvis 8-11 D Wright (5) 2
6 00 SILVER BRIEF 24 R Hodges 8-11 A McGlone 7
7 066 SPORTING HEIR 35 (B) M Usher 8-11 R Perham 8
8 60 CHILTERN SHOW 12 A Bailey 8-6 A Tucker 9
9 0 MUSIC PRINCESS 18 B Gubby 8-6 B Russell (7) 6
10 0 ON THE WING AGAIN 8 Mark Campion 8-6 N Adams 4
11 05 TERMITE 18 M Usher 8-6 B Rouse 1

5-4 Dances With Risk, 11-4 First Shot, 11-2 Monkey's Wedding, 7-1 Chiltern Show, 8-1 On The Wing Again, 10-1 Queen's Admiral, 14-1 others.

7.00 PULBOROUGH HANDICAP
(3-Y-O: £2,782: 2m) (7)

1 -006 COMME D'HABITUDE 12 (S) T Mills 9-11 M Roberts 3
2 5312 BILJAN 9 (CD,F) P Cole 9-13 A Munro 2
3 0611 SUMMER WIND 15 (F,G) D Elsworth 8-12 B Doyle (3) 7
4 041 SHE KNEW THE RULES 23 (D,F) M Channon 8-4 G Carter 1
5 5622 WAKT 15 D Morley 8-3 W Carson 6
6 4622 MANON LESCAUT 4 A Jarvis 7-8 D Wright (5) 4
7 024 MY SET PEACE 10 M Muggeridge 7-7 A Whelan (7) 5

2-1 Summer Wind, 5-2 She Knew The Rules, 4-1 Biljan, 13-2 Wakt, 8-1 Manon Lescaut, 12-1 others.

7.30 SEVENOAKS LIMITED STAKES
(All-weather: £3,084: 1m 2f) (5)

1 3310 SYLVAN SABRE 19 (V,C,F,G,S) P Mitchell 4-9-7 W Newnes 4
2 0455 WAKI GOLD 7 (F) M Channon 6-9-7 G Carter 3
3 4251 WALKING THE PLANK 22 (D,F,G) P Walwyn 4-9-7 P Robinson 2
4 1311 ONE OFF THE RAIL 8 (CD,G) A Moore 3-8-11 B Rouse 1
5 1404 LAVENDER COTTAGE 33 (D,S) G Wragg 3-8-6 M Roberts 5

6-4 Walking The Plank, 7-4 One Off The Rail, 5-1 Lavender Cottage, 13-2 Sylvan Sabre, 10-1 Waki Gold.

8.00 EAST GRINSTEAD HANDICAP
(£4,012: 7f 140yd) (7)

1 4240 ABLE CHOICE 15 R Armstrong 3-9-10 M Roberts 1
2 6600 DISPAST 15 (D,G) B Akehurst 3-9-9 A McGlone 3
3 45-0 DODGY 11 (V,CD,F,G) S Dow 6-8-13 M Perrett 2
4 -080 DON TOCINO 21 J Dunlop 3-8-10 W Carson 5
5 0610 JUST JAMIE 43 (D,S) Miss B Sanders 3-8-4 W Newnes 7
6 4231 DANCING SENSATION 22 (D,F) R Akehurst 6-8-4 D Wright (5) 6
7 0004 ALNASRIC PETE 12 (D,F,G) D Wilson 7-8-2 G Carter 4

5-2 Dancing Sensation, 9-2 Dispast, 6-1 Able Choice, Alnasric Pete, 7-1 Dodgy, Just Jamie, 10-1 Don Tocino.

8.30 ASHURST HANDICAP
(All-weather: 3-Y-O: £2,709: 1m 4f) (5)

1 -234 POINT THE WAY 25 M Stoute 9-7 Paul Eddery 3
2 4551 HALHAM TARN 17 (F) D Elsworth 8-11 J Williams 4
3 0451 SMART DAISY 7 (C,G) G Moore 8-10 B Rouse 5
4 000 IMAGERY 22 N Graham 8-2 A McGlone 1
5 0205 BOXBOY 26 K Cunningham-Brown 7-11 D Wright (5) 2

11-10 Halham Tarn, 3-1 Smart Daisy, 9-2 Point The Way, 8-1 Box Boy, 14-1 Imagery.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: G Wragg, 10 winners from 33 runners, 30.3%; J Berry, 20 from 93, 21.5%; P Cole, 38 from 187, 20.3%; M Stoute, 11 from 55, 20%; D Morley, 5 from 26, 19.2%; G Moore, 3 from 17, 17.6%.

JOCKEYS: W Carson, 24 winners from 107 rides, 22.4%; M Roberts, 31 from 168, 18.5%; B Russell, 6 from 44, 13.6%; G Hind, 5 from 37, 13.5%; A Munro, 24 from 179, 13.4%; B Doyle, 18 from 147, 12.2%.

☐ Lucky Lindy, the mount of Brian Rouse, faces 13 rivals in tomorrow's group three Ammerschlager Frankfurt-Pokal (1m 2f), at Frankfurt. He has to give weight all round and may find the task of conceding 9lb to Twist and Turn, formerly trained by Henry Cecil, beyond him. Lucky Lindy won on his only previous visit to Germany, in the group two Grosser Preis von Dusseldorf last October.

THUNDERER
2.35 Alzianah. 3.05 Saida. 3.35 Darmstadt. 4.05 Jubran. 4.35 Milbank Challenger. 5.05 Serotina.

GOING: GOOD, GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES SIS
DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

2.35 EBF YORKSHIRE CHILDRENS HOSPITAL TRUST MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,127: 5f) (10)

1 0 BOLLIN NEIL 17 M H Easterby 9-0 S Maloney (3) 5
2 00 CRACKLEY LANE 17 R Woodhouse 9-0 T Lucas 7
3 FEATHERSTONE LANE Miss L Siddall 9-0 S Webster 2
4 53 GENERAL GUBBINS 30 J Hetherton 9-0 R Hills 4
5 HILL REEF Mrs J Ramsden 9-0 Raymond Berry 6
6 40 LANCASHIRE LIFE 6 E Alston 9-0 Stephen Davies (5) 3
7 436 ALZIANAH 10 G Pritchard-Gordon 8-9 G Duffield 1
8 BOLD SIXTEEN Mrs J Cecil 8-9 B Raymond 8
9 52 DAILY STAR 12 J Berry 8-9 P Roberts (7) 10
10 6 DOMINO QUEEN 17 J Payne 8-9 J Quinn 9

6-4 Bold Sixteen, 7-2 Alzianah, 11-2 Hill Reef, 7-1 Featherstone Lane, 12-1 General Gubbins, 14-1 Daily Star, 16-1 Domino Queen, 20-1 others.

3.05 GEOFFREY GUEST SELLING STAKES
(£2,570: 1m) (14)

1 0600 DEPUTY TIM 30 (D,F,G,S) R Bastiman 10-9-7 H Bastiman (7) 7
2 0-00 MATTS BOY 21 (V,D,F,S) Miss S Hall 5-9-7 N Connorton 10
3 2605 SALDA 31 (D,S) R Whitaker 4-9-7 B Raymond 4
4 0000 SUNTAN 12 (B,D,F,S) R O'Leary 4-9-7 J Quinn 8
5 /00 SNEEK 16 (B) Mrs V Aconley 5-9-2 O Pears (5) 3
6 6545 UCKERBY MOOR 9 W Barker 4-9-2 V Halliday (7) 5
7 60-3 VANART 16 W Haigh 4-9-2 S Webster 11
8 60-0 VITAL VOLTAGE 15 M Ellerby 4-9-2 S Morris 6
9 0- MY LINDIANNE 47J J Dooler 5-8-11 J Fanning 2
10 6 DUNBAR 19 C Tinkler 3-8-8 G Duffield 1
11 00-3 RUSHALONG 16 (B) R Woodhouse 3-8-8 T Lucas 13
12 5651 SCOFFERA 11 (F) N Tinkler 3-8-8 Kim Tinkler 14
13 510- YEVEED 285 (S) M H Easterby 3-8-8 S Maloney (3) 9
14 00- HABEEBTITI NADIA 241 J Bethell 3-8-3 J Lowe 12

6-4 Salda, 4-1 Yeveed, 5-1 Scoffera, 11-2 Vanart, 7-1 Uckerby Moor, 10-1 Deputy Tim, 14-1 Matts Boy, 20-1 others.

3.35 EVERSHEDS HEPWORTH & CHADWICK BELL-RINGER HANDICAP (£7,505: 1m 4f 60yd) (10)

1 00-4 VIARDOT 8 (G,S) Mrs M Reveley 4-10-0 J Lowe 7
2 0012 DRUMMER HICKS 14 (BF,F,G,S) E Weymes 4-9-8 M Tebbutt 5
3 040- LORD HASTIE 273 (D,F,G,S) S Norton 5-9-4 O Pears (5) 1
4 -582 ALMAMZAR 8 (F) M Stoute 3-9-2 R Hills 3
5 0621 BLUE BLAZER 29 (G,S) B Hanbury 3-8-13 B Raymond 4
6 5630 BIGWHEEL BILL 7 (B,D,S) J Watts 4-8-11 N Connorton 10
7 4115 DARMSTADT 8 (BF,F) J Gosden 3-8-7 G Duffield 8
8 1255 KINOKO 1 (CD,G,S) K Hogg 5-8-3 A Garth (5) 9
9 03-6 BLUE LAWS 30 Jimmy Fitzgerald 3-8-2 J Fanning 6
10 102/ PEANUTS PET 122J (F) T Tate 8-7-7 J Quinn 2

9-2 Drummer Hicks, 5-1 Almamzar, 6-1 Blue Blazer, Darmstadt, Viardot, 8-1 Bigwheel Bill, 10-1 Lord Hastie, Kinoko, 12-1 Blue Laws, 25-1 Peanuts Pet.

4.05 AIR UK HANDICAP (£3,850: 1m 2f) (9)

1 6053 GOLDEN CHIP 8 (D,F,G) A Stringer 5-9-10 G Duffield 1
2 00-3 BRILLIANT 14 (F,S) J Pearce 5-9-7 M Wigham 2
3 -244 JUBRAN 8 (C,F,G) M Johnston 7-9-4 R Hills 8
4 5065 MHEMEANLES 16 (F,G,S) M H Easterby 3-9-0 S Maloney (3) 6
5 2580 SCOTTISH PARK 24 (F) M Hammond 4-8-10 B Raymond 9
6 2423 TELEPHUS 9 (D,BF,F) B McMath 4-8-8 J Lowe 4
7 5553 THE PREMIER EXPRES 2 (S) W Bentley 3-8-2 R Lappin 3
8 3345 MAROWINS 11 (G) E Alston 4-8-0 J Quinn 7
9 1064 RED INDIAN 44 (D,F,G) W Haigh 7-7-8 J Fanning 5

7-2 Jubran, 4-1 Golden Chip, 9-2 Brilliant, 6-1 Telephus, 7-1 Red Indian, 10-1 Scottish Park, Marowins, 14-1 Mhemeanles, 20-1 The Premier Expres.

4.35 HARTWELL MOTOR CONTRACTS MAIDEN HANDICAP (£3,210: 6f) (9)

1 3344 SUDDEN SPIN 9 (V) J Berry 3-10-0 P Roberts (7) 3
2 5002 MILBANK CHALLENGER 9 M H Easterby 3-9-12 G Duffield 2
3 0002 SOPHISTICATED AIR 12 (V) I Balding 3-9-10 S O'Gorman 7
4 -044 SMITH N'ALLAN 57 M Dods 3-8-7 O Pears (5) 8
5 6036 COVEN MOON 17 H Collingridge 3-8-6 J Quinn 4
6 0550 OSCAR THE SECOND 14 T Fairhurst 3-8-4 M Tebbutt 1
7 0050 SHALAKO 3 K Hogg 3-8-0 A Garth (5) 9
8 0205 ADMISSION 12 N Chamberlain 3-8-13 N Connorton 6
9 5246 SILVER STONE BOY 14 M Camacho 5-8-10 S Webster 8

3-1 Sophisticated Air, 7-2 Milbank Challenger, Sudden Spin, 5-1 Oscar The Second, 7-1 Silverstone Boy, 10-1 Admission, 12-1 Coven Moon 14-1 others.

5.05 CSI RATING RELATED MAIDEN STAKES
(3-Y-O: £3,210: 1m 1f) (7)

1 -002 IJAB 16 A Scott 9-0 R Hills 1
2 0050 LIVONIAN 12 (BF) J Gosden 9-0 G Duffield 5
3 0042 LT WELSH 17 (V) I Balding 9-0 S O'Gorman 6
4 0-60 NEVER SO BRAVE 19 Miss S Hall 9-0 N Connorton 4
5 0423 BILOELA 7 Jimmy Fitzgerald 8-9 J Quinn 7
6 50-6 BREAKING HEARTS 91 A Stringer 8-9 J Fanning 3
7 -253 SEROTINA 43 W Jarvis 8-9 M Tebbutt 2

2-1 Serotina, 5-2 Lt Welsh, 4-1 Biloela, 5-1 Ijab, 7-1 Livonian, 25-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: J Pearce, 4 winners from 11 runners, 36.4%; M Stoute, 11 from 39, 28.9%; J Gosden, 7 from 31, 22.6%; J Berry, 23 from 115, 20.0%; W Jarvis, 3 from 15, 20.0%; J Watts, 9 from 64, 14.1%.

JOCKEYS: Stephen Davies, 7 winners from 13 rides, 53.8%; N Connorton, 11 from 92, 12.0%; . Only qualifiers.

Blinkered first time

AYR: 2.20 Grumpy's Grain. 4.20 Lancaster Pilot, Adamparis. LINGFIELD: 6.00 Stalled. 6.30 Monkey's Wedding, Sporting Heir. NEWMARKET: 4.15 Danny Boy. RIPON: 3.05 Rushalong. SOUTHWELL: 8.45 Semah's Dream. 7.15 Premier Star, Blakes Beau.

THUNDERER
6.15 Strip Cartoon. 6.45 Rose Of Glenn. 7.15 Festin. 7.45 Sizzling Saga. 8.15 Ibtikar. 8.45 Bend Sable.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT SIS
DRAW: 6F-7F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

6.15 STIRRUP HANDICAP (£2,448: 6f) (10 runners)

1 0010 ELTON LEDGER 12 (B,D,BF,F,G) A Scott 4-10-0 B Raymond 2
2 1404 BIRCHWOOD SUN 12 (D,F,G,S) M Dods 3-8-13 J Lowe 3
3 2603 STRIP CARTOON 5 (B,CD,G,S) S Bowring 5-8-8 G Strange (7) 4
4 -124 MINDOMICA 5 (C,BF,F,G) W O'Gorman 4-8-7 Emma O'Gorman (3) 8
5 0405 QUICK STEEL 33 (B,D,G,S) T McGovern 5-9-3 S Mulvey (7) 1
6 0132 ROSE FLYER 7 (C,G) M Chapman 3-8-3 D McCabe (5) 6
7 0060 DOCTOR-J 12 (BF) M Heaton-Ellis 3-8-12 S Raymond 5
8 30-0 COAT OF DREAMS 14 (D,G) B McMahon 4-8-6 J Bramhill (7) 9
9 2001 AQUADO 4 (F) K Callaghan 4-8-5 (7ex) S Whitworth 10
10 0403 CHOICE LOT 37 (B,F) A Jones 6-8-2 Julie Bowker 7

3-1 Aquado, 4-1 Rose Flyer, 11-2 Mindomica, 7-1 Elton Ledger, Quick Steel, 8-1 Strip Cartoon, 10-1 Birchwood Sun, 14-1 others.

6.45 HAMES & BODEN SELLING STAKES
(2-Y-O fillies: £1,380: 6f) (9)

1 50 CRUISING CHICK 82 S Norton 8-11 O Pears (5) 6
2 6 HONEST WOMAN 18 J Spearing 8-11 A Mackay 4
3 65 OAKLEY MANOR 12 M Johnston 8-11 J Lowe 8
4 440 REAL POPCORN 14 J Berry 8-11 G Duffield 5
5 6354 ROSE OF GLENN 12 B Palling 8-11 Stephen Davies (5) 9
6 50 SEMAH'S DREAM 15 (B) A Hambly 8-11 A Proud 3
7 4645 STUDFORD GIRL 16 M W Easterby 8-11 T Lucas 1
8 5362 UP THE MARINERS 21 C Smith 8-11 K Rutter (5) 7
9 5443 WILLWIN 12 J Berry 8-11 Emma O'Gorman (3) 2

11-4 Up The Mariners, 7-2 Honest Woman, 4-1 Rose Of Glenn, Willwin, 11-2 Oakley Manor, 8-1 Studford Girl, 12-1 others.

7.15 NPT PLANT MAIDEN HANDICAP
(£3,465: 7f) (10)

1 3430 COALISLAND 11 R Ingram 3-10-0 N Gwilliams (5) 7
2 30-5 MAWAYED 12 P Walwyn 3-9-12 R Hills 9
3 5200 FESTIN 9 (B) P Haslam 3-9-3 J Weaver (3) 5
4 0600 CRAIGIE BOY 7 N Bycroft 3-9-2 G Duffield 1
5 6646 PREMIER STAR 16 (B) M Bell 3-9-1 M Fenton (3) 4
6 0343 NORTHERN TRIAL 9 (V) K Burke 5-8-13 T Sprake 3
7 6003 NOBLE MEASURE 72 (B) S Bowring 3-8-9 G Strange (7) 10
8 0050 CHRISTIAN WARRIOR 9 (V) R Peacock 4-8-5 D McCabe (5) 8
9 0000 BLAKES BEAU 21 (B) M H Easterby 3-8-5 S Maloney (3) 6
10 006- VIRGINIA COTTAGE 288 B McMahon 4-8-4 J Bramhill (7) 2

3-1 Mawayed, 4-1 Noble Measure, 5-1 Northern Trial, Festin, 6-1 Premier Star, 8-1 Christian Warrior, 10-1 Coalisland, 12-1 others.

7.45 SADDLE CLAIMING STAKES (£2,070: 7f) (9)

1 6060 RESOLUTE BAY 7 (F,G) R Whitaker 7-9-7 A Culhane 3
2 0003 SIZZLING SAGA 10 (F,S) J Wharton 5-9-7 R Cochrane 8
3 06 JACK GRAY 10 J Spearing 5-9-5 A Mackay 9
4 3330 LORD MASKRA 3 (CD,G) W O'Gorman 4-8-11 Emma O'Gorman (3) 1
5 -300 CELESTINE 7 (V,D,F,G,S) T Fairhurst 4-8-10 J Fanning 5
6 -300 MOST SURPRISING 107 (F) A Hambly 4-8-10 B Raymond 7
7 -210 GALLERY ARTIST 75 (CD,BF,G,S) R Guest 5-8-9 S Eiffert (7) 2
8 0004 SUMMER EXPRESS 8 (G) J Spearing 4-8-7 Alex Greaves 4
9 0606 SWISS MOUNTAIN 18 D Laing 3-7-8 J Lowe 6

4-6 Sizzling Saga, 9-2 Resolute Bay, 8-1 Celestine, Gallery Artist, 12-1 Summer Express, 16-1 others.

8.15 GIRTH HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,301: 2m) (5)

1 -040 SUN GREBE 9 J Dunlop 9-7 B Raymond 4
2 -651 FOLLINGWORTH GIRL 24 (F) S Norton 8-11 O Pears (5) 5
3 0523 WALSHAM WITCH 5 (F) C Smith 8-9 K Rutter (5) 2
4 0056 IBTIKAR 15 (V) P Walwyn 8-7 R Hills 1
5 -631 DESERT LAUGHTER 12 (F) R Hollinshead 8-3 J Quinn 3

2-1 Desert Laughter, 11-4 Follingworth Girl, 4-1 Sun Grebe, Walsham Witch, 6-1 Ibtikar.

8.45 BRIDLE HANDICAP (£2,742: 1m 2f) (15)

1 4145 SAINT CIEL 9 (D,F,S) F Jordan 5-8-13 Michael Denaro (7) 14
2 60-0 MEL'S ROSE 98J (F,G) J Scargill 8-8-7 N Day 9
3 65-0 BEND SABLE 10 P Haslam 3-8-5 Dale Gibson 11
4 0006 MAJAL 8 (F) J Wainwright 4-8-4 Dean McKeown 13
5 4323 SUGEMAR 7 (C,F,G) M Chapman 7-8-3 D McCabe (5) 15
6 -001 MISTY GODDESS 9 (D,F,G) M Jarvis 5-8-2 K Rutter (5) 1
7 5621 PRESTON GUILD 28 (D,G,S) R Williams 3-8-13 R Cochrane 3
8 0000 RED KITE 17 (S) M Bell 4-8-12 G Duffield 7
9 0-50 DOCTOR ROY 8 (F) N Bycroft 5-8-11 Alex Greaves 4
10 550- FLYING DOWN TO RIO 96J (G) A Forbes 6-8-2 A Garth (5) 12
11 600 JAMANE 46 J Mackie 3-8-2 J Fanning 10
12 0663 MARY MACBLAIN 19 J Harris 4-8-1 S Maloney (3) 2
13 000- STAR RAGE 227 J Wharton 3-7-10 J Quinn 8
14 0-46 VICTOR ROMEO 35 (F) R Spicer 4-7-8 A Mackay 6
15 1006 KRONPRINZ 47J (C,G) M Chapman 5-7-7 N Carlisle 5

4-1 Preston Guild, 5-1 Misty Goddess, 6-1 Saint Ciel, Sugemar, 8-1 Red Kite, Mel's Rose, Mary Macblain, 10-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: M H Easterby, 3 winners from 6 runners, 50.0%. Only qualifier.

JOCKEYS: G Duffield, 3 winners from 10 rides, 30.0%. Only qualifier.

☐ Lester Piggott has four rides in Bratislava tomorrow, including Zimzalabim for Barry Hills in the Slovakian Derby. Zimzalabim won the Austrian Derby last month and has every chance of winning his second classic within a month. Piggott will then cross the border to Vienna to ride Soft Call in the Preis der Diana, at Freudenau tomorrow evening.

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Small field weakens prize-money argument

By Julian Muscat

THE Manton Rose Bowl at Newbury today has descended into something of a farce, with only two of the 13 horses entered at the five-day stage standing their ground in this £13,000-added listed race.

That such a valuable juvenile contest has turned into a match race belittles the argument, advanced by racehorse owners, that too many horses are chasing too little prize-money. Perhaps the proposed owners' boycott has started in secret.

While the Rose Bowl is essentially an event for horses of group race potential, the two-runner field comes in stark contrast to the Weatherbys and Sales Super Sprint 30 minutes earlier. The latter race offers small owners the chance to win a big prize, and all 16 runners declared at the five-day stage will be taking part.

Trainers argue that the presence in the Rose Bowl of State Performer, the winner of the Chesham Stakes at Royal Ascot, makes challenging him an exercise in futility. However, Risky, a runaway winner of the Queen Mary Stakes at the same meeting, has arguably better credentials in the Super Sprint.

The affair has left Lord Carnarvon, chairman of Newbury racecourse, feeling "very, very depressed". Weatherbys contacted the trainers of those not engaged elsewhere, but none of them wanted to re-enter the race. "I feel sorry for everyone involved, the sponsors and racegoers," Carnarvon said. "It's sad for a race of this value, particularly when owners are asking for increased prize-money."

Even Peter Chapple-Hyam, trainer of State Performer, was not amused. "It's a joke," he said. "My horse is so lazy he won't do a stroke, but he'll go and race as if there were five or six lined up against him." Asked if State Performer had scared off the likely opposition, Chapple-Hyam said: "I don't like to say it but it's probably true. Having said that, I am never afraid of just one horse."

The Manton trainer left Newbury a happy man yesterday after saddling yet another newcomer, Barossa Valley, to a two-length victory in the Ecchinswell Maiden Stakes for two-year-olds. Named after the wine region in South Australia, Barossa Valley was the stable's seventh juvenile winner from ten starters.

The same trainer's Rain Brother led the Hackwood Stakes field for over half of the six-furlong journey, but it was Catrail, trained by John Gosden, who emerged triumphant for his first victory in listed company. Catrail's only defeat in five outings came at Royal Ascot, where he failed to stay the mile of the Queen Anne Stakes.

"The jockey [Michael Roberts] said this six furlongs is his trip, and we will probably move him up to group class for his next outing," said Anthony Stroud, racing manager to Catrail's owner, Shaikh Mohammed.

The Storm Cat colt remains a candidate for leading sprint honours, even though Roberts had to earn his fee in repelling Midhish by three-quarters of a length. Catrail travelled strongly for much of the race; he is clearly well suited to some give underfoot.

The will to win burns brightly in Thourios, whose enthusiasm seems to have been strengthened since he suffered a couple of narrow defeats earlier in the season. Having made all the running to win at York seven days earlier, Thourios repeated the dose over a furlong shorter when resisting Gabr's late surge by half a length in the Watermill Stakes over seven furlongs. The four-year-old is only now finding his feet, according to trainer Guy Harwood, who will now look for a group race for this Green Desert colt.

Nap: EDUCATED PET
(4.45 Newmarket)
Next best: Mister Baileys
(1.30 Newbury)

JULIAN HERBERT



Whip hand: Thourios is ridden clear by Walter Swinburn to win the Watermill Stakes at Newbury yesterday

NEWBURY

THUNDERER

1.30 Mister Baileys
2.00 Amazon Express
2.30 Straight Arrow
3.00 State Performer
3.30 Heavenly Risk
4.00 Sabrehill
4.30 AITCH N'BEE (nap)

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00: Moonlight Quest. 4.00: SABREHILL (nap).

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.30 RISKY.

GOING: GOOD SIS
DRAW: HIGH NUMBERS HAVE SLIGHT ADVANTAGE UP TO 1M STRAIGHT

1.30 MTOTO DONNINGTON CASTLE CONDITIONS STAKES (2-Y-O: £8,031: 7f) (5 runners) BBC1

101 (4) 1 MISTER BAILEYS 22 (F) (Bailey Horse Feeds) M Johnston 8-12 ... Dean McKeown [illegible]
102 (5) 312 CLASSIC SKY 7 (F) (S Sohail) B Hanbury 8-10 ... W R Swinburn 97
103 (1) CULT HERO (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 8-10 ... J Reid —
104 (3) 1 DARREN BOY 23 (F) (D Allport) P Cole 8-10 ... T Quinn 80
105 (2) 02351 PETER ROWLEY 10 (G) (Mrs P Jubert) R Hannon 8-10 ... M Roberts 86

BETTING: 13-8 Classic Sky, 2-1 Mister Baileys, 11-4 Cult Hero, 6-1 Peter Rowley, 10-1 Darren Boy.

1992: WHITE CROWN 8-12 W R Swinburn (5-2) B Hanbury 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

MISTER BAILEYS beat Level Sands 7l in a 13-runner maiden at Newcastle (6f, good to firm). CLASSIC SKY neck 2nd of 8 to Bluegrass Prince at York (7f, good to firm). CULT HERO (born May 2, cost $24,021). Half-brother to several winners in North America including juvenile stakes scorer Forever Regal; dam, half-sister to smart sprinter Full Out, winner in North America. DARREN BOY beat Barbaroja 2l in a 5-runner maiden at Southwell (6f, good to firm). PETER ROWLEY beat Bagshot ¾l in an 18-runner maiden at Kempton (6f, good).
Selection: MISTER BAILEYS

2.00 HARCROS TIMBER & BUILDING SUPPLIES STAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES HANDICAP (Qualifier: £7,668: 1m 5f 61yd) (13 runners) BBC1

201 (9) 244230- MILZIG 218J (G) (Mrs J Ohlsson) D Elsworth 4-10-0 ... A Procter (5) 91
202 (8) 2110/-36 CASTLE CAVALIER 21 (F) (Lady Mary Mumford) Lady Herries 5-10-0 ... J Reid 95
203 (12) 031023- CASTORET 252 (CD,F,G,S) J Hills 7-9-11 ... D Harrison (3) 90
204 (7) 11034-5 MILLION IN MIND 64 (C,F,S) (M I M Partnership) Mrs J Cecil 4-9-10 ... W Newnes 93
205 (5) 024225 DURSHAN 31 (D,F,G,S) (Bonusprint) J Jenkins 4-9-5 ... A Munro 95
206 (6) 041011 MOONLIGHT QUEST 8 (F,G,S) (Mrs J Lamb) B Hanbury 5-9-4 ... M Hills 96
207 (4) 61305-0 FLIGHT LIEUTENANT 98 (G) (F & S Lever Partners) R Hannon 4-9-3 ... R Perham 84
208 (11) 0-04100 REQUESTED 29 (F,G) (G Baccle) R Akehurst 6-9-0 ... M Perrett 96
209 (1) 111-051 DISCORD 15 (CD,F,G) (Y Asakawa) Lord Huntingdon 7-9-0 ... M Roberts 97
210 (13) 123010 WESTERN DYNASTY 7 (CD,F,G,S) (M Kentish) M Ryan 7-8-13 ... P McCabe (7) 95
211 (10) 54-012 LEAGUE LEADER 63 (F) (Lord Weinstock) M Stoute 8-8-7 ... W R Swinburn 90
212 (2) 111-512 AMAZON EXPRESS 7 (BF,D,F,G) (Mrs J Moss) R Akehurst 4-8-4 ... T Quinn [illegible]
213 (6) 305226 PHILGUN 24 (BF,D,F,S) (C Barber-Lomax) W Elsey 4-8-3 ... Dale Gibson 96

BETTING: 3-1 Moonlight Quest, 4-1 League Leader, 9-2 Castle Cavalier, 6-1 Million In Mind, Discord, 8-1 Amazon Express, 10-1 Durshan, 12-1 Castoret, 14-1 Requested, 16-1 Western Dynasty, 25-1 others.

1992: SPIKENARD 3-9-3 T Quinn (6-1) P Walwyn 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

MILLION IN MIND 4¼l 5th of 12 to Night Clubbing in a handicap here (1m 4f, good) with DISCORD (3lb worse off) 7¾l 10th. MOONLIGHT QUEST beat Almancar 3½l in an 8-runner handicap at Chester (1m 4f 66y, good). REQUESTED 19l 11th of 12 to Rizzard in a stakes races at Royal Ascot (2m 6f, soft). DISCORD beat Chief Minister 1l in a 5-runner handicap at Haydock (1m 6f, good). AMAZON EXPRESS 3½l 2nd of 8 to Blazon Of Troy in a handicap at Salisbury (1m 4f, good to firm) with WESTERN DYNASTY (same terms) 17½l 8th. LEAGUE LEADER 1l 2nd to Circus Colours in a 9-runner handicap here (1m 4f, good).
Selection: LEAGUE LEADER

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
P Chapple-Hyam	12	39	30.8	J Weaver	3	11	27.3
H Cecil	28	94	29.8	Pat Eddery	50	253	19.8
M Stoute	22	110	20	M Roberts	33	235	14
L Cumani	10	66	15.2	D Harrison	6	45	13.3
G Wragg	4	37	10.8	W R Swinburn	21	169	12.4
M Bell	3	28	10.7	L Piggott	6	53	11.3

□ Paul Cook was yesterday pressing ahead with a claim for £280,000 against the owner of Doncaster racecourse, found responsible for the fall which ended his riding career. He will seek damages from Doncaster District Council for loss of earnings since the fall almost four years ago.

2.30 WEATHERBYS AND SALES SUPER SPRINT TROPHY (2-Y-O: £56,912: 5f 34yd) (16 runners) BBC1

301 (15) 114 TURTLE ISLAND 10 (BF,CD,G,S) (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 9-7 ... J Reid 87
302 (8) 01224 BID FOR BLUE 15 (D,F) (D Thompson) R Hannon 9-0 ... Paul Eddery 72
303 (2) 05 PAPAGAYOS 9 (Castlecourt Ltd) C Britain 8-10 ... B Marcus 62
304 (14) 1121 RISKY 31 (D,F,S) (Rolovale Ltd) R Hannon 8-10 ... W R Swinburn [illegible]
305 (10) 120 POMMES FRITES 31 (D,G) (Lord Carnarvon) R Hannon 8-7 ... L Piggott 79
306 (9) 101 ROXANIAN 12 (D,F) (Mrs E Mitchell) M Heaton-Ellis 8-7 ... D Holland 83
307 (13) 1136 HIGH DOMAIN 30 (D,G,S) (Mrs S Sjoveld) M McCormack 8-6 ... A Clark 72
308 (11) 42131 ISABELLA SHARP 33 (D,S) (C Wright) M Bell 8-6 ... M Hills 75
309 (3) 31 STRAIGHT ARROW 56 (D,S) (J Bailey) Lord Huntingdon 8-6 ... A Munro 78
310 (1) 03 BIRD OF TIME 22 (N Clark) J Dunlop 8-5 ... T Quinn 53
311 (12) KING RAMBO (J Gollam) R Hollinshead 8-5 ... S Perks —
312 (16) 342 ANZIO 28 (Mrs M Gray) G Bravery 8-4 ... N Day 72
313 (5) 60250 MARCH OF TIME 28 (G) (Mrs D Barker) D Thom 8-4 ... Dean McKeown 61
314 (7) 01 MIRIAM 17 (D,F) (Mrs A Whitehead) M Fetherston-Godley 8-3 ... J Weaver 66
315 (4) 011 TINKER OSMASTON 22 (D,F) (Mrs S Foster) C Williams 7-13 ... J Curant 69
316 (6) 51 WELSH MIST 19 (D,F) (P Asquith) R Boss 7-13 ... M Roberts 78

BETTING: 4-5 Risky, 4-1 Turtle Island, 8-1 Straight Arrow, Anzio, 10-1 Roxanian, Tinker Osmaston, 14-1 High Domain, 16-1 Isabella Sharp, 20-1 Papagayos, Pommes Frites, 25-1 others.

1992: LYRIC FANTASY 8-11 M Roberts (2-5 fav) R Hannon 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

TURTLE ISLAND 3½l 4th of 8 to First Trump at Newmarket (6f, good to firm). Previously beat Gold Land 3½l in 8-runner group III Norfolk Stakes at Royal Ascot (5f, soft) with HIGH DOMAIN (15lb better) around 17¼l 6th.
BID FOR BLUE 3½l 4th of 6 to Elrafa Ah in a listed race at Sandown (5f, good to firm). Previously 3l 2nd of 13 to Great Deeds in a stakes race at Royal Ascot (5f, soft) with ROXANIAN (7lb better) 16l 10th and PAPAGAYOS (2lb better) 3l 12th. RISKY beat Snipe Hall 5l in 11-runner group III Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot (5f, soft) with POMMES FRITES (3lb better) 25l 11th. ISABELLA SHARP beat Antonias Folly 3½l in a 6-runner stakes race at Windsor (5f, good to soft). STRAIGHT ARROW beat Perusal 5l in an 8-runner auction maiden at Lingfield (5f, good to soft).
Selection: RISKY (nap)

3.00 MANTON ROSE BOWL STAKES (Listed race: 2-Y-O: £11,575: 6f 8yd) (2 runners)

401 (1) 11 STATE PERFORMER 30 (D,G,S) (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 9-2 ... J Reid [illegible]
402 (2) 22 BAGSHOT 10 (BF) (F Salman) R Hannon 8-11 ... A Munro 78

BETTING: 1-5 State Performer, 11-4 Bagshot.

1992: SILVER WIZARD 8-11 Paul Eddery (4-6 fav) G Lewis 3 ran

3.30 SHRIVENHAM HANDICAP (£4,532: 5f 34yd) (9 runners)

501 (2) 00/5363- POYLE GEORGE 8 (D,F,G,S) (C Wiggins) D Elsworth 8-10-0 ... A Procter (5) 97
502 (1) 202610 EAGER DEVA 22 (D,F,G) (Mrs E Faulkner) R Hollinshead 6-9-12 ... L Piggott 93
503 (3) 540100 RUNNING GLIMPSE 14 (D,F,G) (Copyforce Ltd) Miss B Sanders 5-9-6 M Roberts 96
504 (6) 030600 AUGHFAD 14 (V,CD,F,G,S) (M MacCarthy) T Casey 7-9-5 ... J Reid [illegible]
505 (5) 100-160 HEAVENLY RISK 11 (D,F,G) (Rolovale Ltd) R Hannon 3-9-4 ... Mark Denaro (7) 98
506 (7) 151346- BANGLES 260 (D,G) (J Rose) Lord Huntingdon 8-9-1 ... D Harrison (3) 85
507 (8) 0106-21 SAMSON-AGONISTES 16 (D,F,G,S) (J Wilcox) B McMahon 7-9-1 ... T Quinn 90
508 (4) 050426 MARTINA 8 (D,F,G,S) (Laurel (Leisure) Ltd) G Lewis 5-7-12 ... C Hawksley (7) 98
509 (9) 000605 BELTHORN 14 (T Thom) J Bridger 4-7-7 ... N Carlisle 86

Long handicap: Belthorn 6-8.

BETTING: 11-4 Poyle George, 7-2 Aughfad, 4-1 Heavenly Risk, 6-1 Bangles, 7-1 Eager Deva, Samson-Agonistes, 10-1 Running Glimpse, 16-1 Martina, 20-1 Belthorn.

1992: AUGHFAD 6-9-0 J Reid (4-1) T Casey 8 ran

4.00 ARLINGTON INTERNATIONAL RACECOURSE STAKES (Listed race: £11,355: 1m 2f 6yd) (6 runners)

601 (3) 000-021 BOBZAO 21 (D,F,S) (T Mills) T Mills 4-9-10 ... T Quinn 92
602 (5) 215562 YOUNG BUSTER 11 (D,F,G) (Mollers Racing) G Wragg 5-9-10 ... M Hills 86
603 (4) 3-31122 PORT LUCAYA 24 (B,BF,F,G) (Lucayan Stud) R Hannon 3-9-0 ... Pat Eddery 96
604 (6) 21- CRIQUETTE 266 (C,S) (Shaikh Mohammed) L Cumani 3-8-9 ... J Weaver 93
605 (1) 25-1220 PLANETARY ASPECT 45 (C,G) (M Abdullah) P Chapple-Hyam 3-8-6 ... J Reid [illegible]
606 (2) 1 SABREHILL 10 (D,F) (Shaikh Mohammed) H Cecil 3-8-6 ... M Roberts 96

BETTING: 2-1 Sabrehill, 3-1 Port Lucaya, 7-2 Criquette, 9-2 Planetary Aspect, 6-1 Young Buster, 8-1 Bobzao.

1992: ADAM SMITH 4-9-0 L Dettori (11-10 fav) L Cumani 4 ran

4.30 LEVY BOARD SEVENTH HANDICAP (£5,380: 1m) (10 runners)

1 (1) 315-433 CABELAMAN 47 (BF,G) (P Goulandris) J Dunlop 3-9-13 ... J Reid 96
2 (2) 01-1004 EASY ACCESS 9 (G) (N Ahamad) R Hannon 3-9-12 ... Mark Denaro (7) 97
3 (3) 40-219 WALI 29 (S) (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 3-9-8 ... Pat Eddery 94
4 (6) 303000 DOUBLE FLUTTER 15 (F) (J Mitchell) M Channon 4-9-9 ... A Munro 95
5 (8) 4-63164 AITCH N'BEE 10 (D,G,S) (Lady Herries) Lady Herries 10-9-8 ... T Quinn [illegible]
6 (5) 2030-00 EXPO MONDIAL 39 (F) (Y Hong) J Eustace 3-9-6 ... M Hills 90
7 (10) 004184 WAVE HILL 17 (CD,F,G) (J Whelan) P Hedger 4-9-5 ... M Perrett 97
8 (9) 24-4 SUIVEZ 105 (Lady Beaverbrook) C Brittain 3-9-4 ... B Marcus 87
9 (4) 6-00 SEA SIREN 63 (P Goulandris) H Candy 3-8-5 ... W Newnes 94
10 (7) 0-00432 LORD OBERON 10 (V,D,F,G) (Mrs A Quinn) J Akehurst 5-8-0 ... M Roberts 98

BETTING: 7-2 Easy Access, 4-1 Lord Oberon, 9-2 Aitch N'Bee, 5-1 Cabelaman, 7-1 Wali, Double Flutter, 8-1 Wave Hill, 16-1 Suivez, Sea Siren, 20-1 Expo Mondial.

1992: OPERA GHOST 6-9-7 W R Swinburn (7-2 fav) P Harris 8 ran

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2.15 Menhaad
2.45 Whatever's Right
3.15 Crystal Cross
3.45 Dynamic Deluxe
4.15 Noyan
4.45 Educated Pet
5.15 Moscow Road

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 4.15 Mujaazafah.

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2.15 FOOD BROKERS DR PEPPER CONDITIONS STAKES (3-Y-O fillies: £4,542: 1m 2f) (9 runners)

1 (5) 1-04 ARUSHA 24 (S) (R Tooth) D Elsworth 9-1 ... J Williams 84
2 (6) 2-1 IMAGINARY 29 (CD,G) (K Abdulla) H Cecil 9-1 ... Pat Eddery 89
3 (8) 51 MOONSHINE LAKE 30 (G) (Shaikh Mohammed) H Cecil 9-1 ... A McGlone 89
4 (7) 140-0 URRY URRY URRY 40 (G) (Lady Matthews) R Williams 8-13 ... R Cochrane 85
5 (4) 0 FLOATING ISLAND 18 (Shaikh Mohammed) J Fanshawe 8-11 ... P Robinson —
6 (9) 1-5 INFORMATRICE 10 (F) (Shaikh Mohammed) H Cecil 8-11 ... W Ryan 96
7 (2) 14-3 INSTANT AFFAIR 47 (G) (A Christodoulou) P Cole 8-11 ... W Carson [illegible]
8 (1) 6 MENHAAD 36 (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) A Stewart 8-11 ... S Whitworth 75
9 (3) 1- SURPRISE SURPRISE 308 (S) (Mrs J Wright) H Candy 8-11 Antoinette Armes (7) 75

BETTING: 2-1 Imaginary, 3-1 Informatrice, 4-1 Instant Affair, 8-1 Arusha, 8-1 Moonshine Lake, 12-1 Floating Island, 14-1 Surprise Surprise, 20-1 Urry Urry Urry, 25-1 Menhaad.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

2.45 INVESCO HANDICAP (£4,620: 1m) (10 runners)

1 (10) 00-0024 BLOCKADE 11 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (A Warrender) M Bell 4-9-12 ... M Fenton (3) 96
2 (8) 001004- LA BAMBA 253 (F,G,S) (Miss M MacRae) G Pritchard-Gordon 7-9-11 ... W Hood 90
3 (5) 055030- EDEN'S CLOSE 121J (F) (Mrs M Barwell) M Tompkins 4-9-5 ... S Mulvey (7) 90
4 (6) 021210 NORTH ESK 11 (D,F,G) (A Speyer) D Wilson 4-9-2 ... G Carter 95
5 (7) 024236 RISE UP SINGING 9 (B,CD,F,G,S) (Mrs R Brown) W Musson 5-9-2 ... R Cochrane [illegible]
6 (4) 003 DAWALIB 7 (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 3-9-1 ... W Carson 87
7 (1) 111231 DEEVEE 18 (D,F,G) (D Turner) C Benstead 4-8-10 ... P Robinson 94
8 (2) 00040 DIVINE BOY 10 (Enterprise Markets Ltd) M Ryan 3-8-7 ... D Biggs 92
9 (9) 20-0404 WHATEVER'S RIGHT 8 (M Thurgood) M Usher 4-8-5 ... L Dettori 93
10 (3) 001030 THEMAAM 17 (D,G) (Wetherby Racing Bureau Plc) T Thomson Jones 4-8-3 W Ryan 98

BETTING: 11-4 Rise Up Singing, 7-2 Deevee, 4-1 Blockade, 11-2 Dawalib, 7-1 Whatever's Right, 10-1 Eden's Close, 12-1 North Esk, 14-1 Themaam, 16-1 La Bamba, 20-1 Eden's Close.

1992: ROSE INDIEN 3-9-5 L Dettori (7-1) M Moubarak 13 ran

3.15 CHEMIST BROKERS SALON SELECTIVES RATED HANDICAP (£7,015: 1m 6f 175yd) (3 runners) C4

1 (2) 4/143-5 MICHELOZZO 63 (D,F,G,S) (Lucayan Stud) R Hannon 7-9-7 ... D Gibbs (7) 91
2 (3) 30/6-405 OH SO RISKY 14 (F,S) (The Oh So Risky Syndicate) D Elsworth 6-9-1 J Williams [illegible]
3 (1) 10-4161 CRYSTAL CROSS 8 (F,G,S) (U Schwarzenbach) I Balding 4-8-7 ... L Dettori 97

Long handicap: Crystal Cross 8-6.

BETTING: 5-4 Oh So Risky, 13-8 Michelozzo, 9-4 Crystal Cross.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

MICHELOZZO tailed off 5th of 5 to Brier Creek in a listed race at Newbury (1m 5f 84yd, good). The 1989 St Leger winner. OH SO RISKY 3½l 4th of 9 to Young Senor in a stakes race at Newbury (1m 2l, good to soft). Smart hurdler. CRYSTAL CROSS beat Ambiguously Regal 2l in a 6-runner handicap at York (1m 4f, good to firm).
Selection: CRYSTAL CROSS

3.45 PRIMULA MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,850.00 6f) (9 runners) C4

1 (1) DESERT PRESIDENT (Maktoum Al Maktoum) A Scott 9-0 ... W R Swinburn —
2 (4) 5 DIESAN 9 (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) J Gosden 9-0 ... W Carson [illegible]
3 (7) DYNAMIC DELUXE (U Schwarzenbach) I Balding 9-0 ... L Dettori —
4 (3) FRIENDLY CHAMP (M Yeh) R Armstrong 9-0 ... R Price —
5 (2) 6 JUST FLAMENCO 71 (Mrs S Martin) M Ryan 9-0 ... D Biggs 76
6 (9) PAONIC (P Riccardi) L Cumani 9-0 ... R Cochrane —
7 (8) SECUNDUS (C Meehan) B Meehan 9-0 ... B Doyle (3) —
8 (6) 06 TOTON LAD 10 (S Curran Ltd) K Ivory 9-0 ... P Robinson 87
9 (5) BILLIE GREY (R Dalton) J Scargill 8-9 ... G Hind —

BETTING: 7-4 Diesan, 7-2 Desert President, 4-1 Dynamic Deluxe, Paonic, 10-1 Friendly Champ, 14-1 Just Flamenco, 16-1 Toton Lad, 20-1 Billie Grey, Secundus.

1992: NORMANTON PARK 9-0 B Raymond (4-1) R Hannon 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

DESERT PRESIDENT (foaled Feb 5th). Half-brother by Polish Precedent to Malaak, very useful 6f-1m 4f winner at two and three years; dam 1m 2f winner in North America. DIESAN 6l 5th of 14 to Magnasonic in a maiden over course and distance (good to firm). DYNAMIC DELUXE (Mar 10). By Sir Ivor, second foal of North American 7f winner. JUST FLAMENCO around 7l 6th of 13 to High Domain in a maiden at Lingfield (5f, good). PAONIC (Apr 9th, cost 13,500gns). By Exactly Sharp, first known foal of a 7f juvenile winner. SECUNDUS (Apr 23rd). Half-brother by Nashwan to Key To My Heart, 6f/1m 3f winner at two and three years. TOTON LAD 7¼l 6th of 18 to Peter Rowley in a maiden at Kempton (6f, good).
Selection: DIESAN

4.15 FOOD BROKERS TROPHY RATED HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £16,657: 1m) (9 runners) C4

1 (4) 130-654 LOST SOLDIER 25 (C,F,G) (Shaikh Mohammed) L Cumani 9-7 ... R Cochrane 95
2 (8) 214-568 LAW COMMISSION 14 (C,F) (R Tooth) D Elsworth 9-2 ... J Williams 97
3 (1) 04-5251 BEAUCHAMP HERO 9 (CD,F) (E Penser) J Dunlop 8-10 ... W Carson [illegible]
4 (9) 05-3465 NOYAN 14 (F,G) (Y Birol) M Bell 8-9 ... M Fenton (3) 92
5 (6) 23-24 MUJAAZAFAH 29 (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) J Gosden 8-9 ... D Holland 97
6 (2) 033221 WISHAM 7 (G) (P Goulandris) B Hanbury 8-7 ... W Ryan 95
7 (3) 0361 JURA FOREST 21 (CD,F) (Lord Vestey) J Fanshawe 8-7 ... P Robinson 89
8 (7) 5-3152 PRINCESS KRIS 15 (D,F) M Stoute 8-7 ... W R Swinburn 98
9 (5) 4-01500 DANNY BOY 10 (B,D,G) (I Twigden) R Hannon 8-7 ... A McGlone 92

Long handicap: Jura Forest 8-5, Princess Kris 8-4, Danny Boy 7-12.

BETTING: 5-2 Mujaazafah, 11-4 Beauchamp Hero, 7-1 Lost Soldier, Princess Kris, Wisham, 8-1 Jura Forest, 14-1 Noyan, 16-1 Law Commission, 25-1 Danny Boy.

1992: BIG LEAP 9-7 L Dettori (17-2) M Moubarak 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

LOST SOLDIER 2l 4th of 7 to Wagon Master in a stakes race at Newbury (1m, good). BEAUCHAMP HERO beat Sharsam ¾l in a valuable 17-runner handicap over course and distance (good to firm). NOYAN 7¼l 5th of 10 to Peter Davies in a valuable handicap at Sandown (1m, good to firm) with LAW COMMISSION (same terms) 5l 6th. MUJAAZAFAH 3l 4th of 25 to Show Faith in a valuable handicap at Royal Ascot (1m, soft) with BEAUCHAMP HERO (6lb worse off) neck 5th. WISHAM beat Desert Time 3l in a 10-runner maiden at Lingfield (7f, good). JURA FOREST beat Tychonic 1½l in a handicap over course and distance (good to firm). PRINCESS KRIS 1½l 2nd to Field Of Vision in a handicap at Sandown (7f 16yd, good to firm).
Selection: MUJAAZAFAH

4.45 FOOD BROKERS — FISHERMAN'S FRIEND HANDICAP (£5,253: 5f) (8 runners) C4

1 (7) 060-503 FARFELU 21 (B,D,F,G) (J O'Malley) W Muir 6-10-0 ... W Carson 95
2 (4) 315-3 STEPANOV 38 (D,G) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 3-9-11 ... L Dettori 88
3 (1) 600400 MASTER PLANNER 9 (C,F,G) (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 4-9-7 ... D Biggs [illegible]
4 (6) 023151 MISS VAXETTE 8 (D,F,S) (Vax Appliances Ltd) J Spearing 4-9-6 M Humphries (7) 98
5 (3) 000211 MACS MAHARANEE 23 (D,F,G) (J Martin) P Felgate 6-9-2 ... G Hind 98
6 (2) 30-6000 GILT THRONE 8 (D,F,G) (B Schmidt-Bodner) M Tompkins 6-9-2 ... P Robinson 86
7 (8) 0-00250 EDUCATED PET 7 (CD,F,G,S) (B Morgan) M Johnston 4-8-5 ... Dean McKeown 97
8 (5) 150425 PEERAGE PRINCE 11 (B,D,F,G) (D Hobbs) Pat Mitchell 4-8-0 ... G Forster (7) 96

BETTING: 4-1 Stepanov, 5-1 Educated Pet, Miss Vaxette, 11-2 Farfelu, Master Planner, 6-1 Macs Maharanee, 10-1 Gilt Throne, Peerage Prince.

1992: EDUCATED PET 3-8-10 Dean McKeown (9-2) M Johnston 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

STEPANOV 1½l 3rd of 4 to Lucky Parkes in a stakes race at Yarmouth (5f, good to firm). MASTER PLANNER 7¾l 7th of 27 to En Attendant in a valuable handicap here (7f, good to firm). Earlier 1l 4th of 15 to Metal Boys in a handicap on the Rowley course (5f, good). MISS VAXETTE beat Ashtina neck in a 16-runner handicap at York (5f, good to firm) with GILT THRONE (7lb better off) 7l 13th. MACS MAHARANEE beat Sea Devil ¾l in a 14-runner handicap on penultimate start at Redcar (6f, good to firm) with EDUCATED PET (22lb better off) 7¾l 7th.
EDUCATED PET 2l 2nd of 16 to Castlerea Lad in a handicap at Newcastle (6f, good to firm) with FARFELU (1lb better off) 1l 3rd.
Selection: MASTER PLANNER

5.15 CHEMIST BROKERS EVENFLO CONDITIONS STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,009: 5f) (5 runners)

1 (3) 101 MOSCOW ROAD 36 (D,S) (G Sampson) R Hannon 9-0 ... W R Swinburn 88
2 (5) 11 SAWTID 26 (F) (J R Leisure Ltd) D Morris 8-9 ... C Hodgson (5) 75
3 (4) 10 CARRIE KOOL 82 (D,S) (D Sheikels) A Hide 8-5 ... W Woods 82
4 (2) 14 DON'T BE KOI 58 (D,F) M Johnston 8-5 ... Dean McKeown 80
5 (1) 1062 NERA 7 (D,BF,G) (Lady Pearson) Mrs J Cecil 8-5 ... L Dettori [illegible]

BETTING: 6-4 Nera, 9-4 Moscow Road, 5-1 Sawtid, 6-1 Don't Be Koi, 8-1 Carrie Kool.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
H Cecil	70	314	22.3	W R Swinburn	59	374	15.8
M Stoute	50	272	18.4	W Carson	79	536	15
J Gosden	38	220	17.3	L Dettori	56	415	13.5
J Fanshawe	15	90	16.7	R Cochrane	40	370	10.8
P Cole	17	103	16.5	D Holland	16	159	10.1
L Cumani	51	325	15.7	Only qualifiers			

Risky can confirm Royal Ascot form

NEWBURY
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1.30: Easy ground will be a new experience for all of these, but provided **Mister Baileys** is not inconvenienced by the going he can follow up his highly impressive debut at Newcastle when winning by seven lengths. Today's extra furlong should suit Mark Johnston's colt and he can prove too tough for Classic Sky, who gives the impression he may not be the most determined customer if this develops into a battle to the line.

2.00: A tricky race with the well handicapped Milzig and Castoret making their seasonal debuts, and Million In Mind and Flight Lieutenant returning from a long absence. Durshan has solid form but is yet to win in this country and preference is for **Discord**, who benefited last time from being stepped up in distance. Philgun will love the ground but may be outclassed.

2.30: In theory, **Risky** is a certainty. The form of her five-length Queen Mary Stakes victory at Royal Ascot has worked out superbly with the three behind her all winning since. Richard Hannon's filly has the cut in the ground she needs. The race for the places should be between Turtle Island, the each-way value, and Tinker Osmaston.

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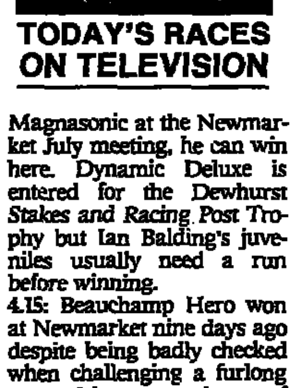
3.15: **Crystal Cross** can take advantage of a disappointing turnout for this £10,000-added race. Ian Balding's stayers are in cracking form and with doubts about the enthusiasm of Michelozzo, the 1989 St Leger winner, and Oh So Risky, he can follow up his recent York success.

3.45: **Diesan** holds Richmond and Gimcrack Stakes entries and, following a promising fifth to the well-regarded Magnasonic at the Newmarket July meeting, he can win here. Dynamic Deluxe is entered for the Dewhurst Stakes and Racing Post Trophy but Ian Balding's juveniles usually need a run before winning.

4.15: Beauchamp Hero won at Newmarket nine days ago despite being badly checked when challenging a furlong out and has every chance of defying a 7lb rise in the handicap. However, in his previous race the John Dunlop-trained colt finished behind **Mujaazafah** at Royal Ascot and John Gosden's runner, now 6lb better off, can gain revenge. Princess Kris put up her best performance when finishing strongly behind Field Of Vision at Sandown recently but may be a better proposition on fast ground.

4.45: I fancy **Educated Pet** strongly, for numerous reasons. Mark Johnston's sprinter has achieved all six wins in fields of eight runners or less; today he has a small field for the first time since winning here a year ago off a 5lb higher mark and Dean McKeown flies on from Newbury for the ride. Farfelu has not won for nearly two years, and Master Planner, though reasonably handicapped, prefers faster going. That leaves the in-form Miss Vaxette as the danger, but her wins have been achieved on easier tracks.

RICHARD EVANS



TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

Brittain mounts Naples raid

SPARTAN Shareef, trained by Clive Brittain and ridden by Frankie Dettori, is the only British challenger for the group three Gran Premio Citta Di Napoli at Naples tomorrow. He faces eight rivals over the ten furlong trip. On the same card, Paul Cole has two runners: Torrismondo in the listed FIA Breeders' Fund, and Whatcombe, already twice a winner in Italy, in the listed FIA Breeders' Cup. Whatcombe's seven rivals include the Michael Bell-trained Michelle Hicks and Michael Kauntze's Danish.

Newbury

Going: good

2.00 (6f 8yd) 1, BAROSSA VALLEY (J Reid, 5-4 fav); 2, Jareer's Way (Pat Eddery, 4-1); 3, Scarlet Diva (L Dettori, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 10 Glitterazzi (4th), 12 Plains, 14 Wildfire (SWI) (6th), Wasted, 16 Personal Pride, Millicent North, 20 Tanbih, Iolani, 33 Art Tatum (5th), Araboybill, Airspeed Flyer, 50 Vedo Nudo, 66 Spedding Roberts, See My Guest. 17 ran. 2l, ¾l, ½l, 1l, hd. P Chapple-Hyam at Marlborough. Tote: £2.50; £1.40, £1.80, £2.70. DF: £3.40. CSF: £7.57. 1min 16.16sec.

2.30 (7f 64yd) 1, THOURIOS (W R Swinburn, 7-2); 2, Gabr (W Carson, 10-1); 3, Humam (R Hills, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 15-8 fav Felucca (6th), 9 Pembroke, 10 First Veil (5th), 16 Son Pardo, 20 Little Munchkin (4th), 33 Sunday's Hill, Cavatina, Carbon Steel. 11 ran. ½l, 1½l, 3l, 2½l, 1½l. G Harwood at Pulborough. Tote: £4.10; £1.40, £2.00, £2.30. DF: £24.20. Trio £62.90. CSF: £33.53. 1min 28.76sec.

3.00 (2m) 1, STAR QUEST (L Dettori, 13-2); 2, Intrepid Lass (Antoinette Armes, 4-1); 3, Mull House (W R Swinburn, 15-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 2 Talos (5th), 16 Noble Society (4th). 5 ran. 1½l, 12l, 2½l, nk. J Jenkins at Royston. Tote: £7.50; £1.90, £1.70. DF: £16.90. CSF: £27.13. 3min 33.48sec.

3.30 (6f 8yd) 1, CATRAIL (M Roberts, 5-6 fav, Richard Evans's nap and Private Handicapper's top rating); 2, Midhish (W R Swinburn, 14-1); 3, Montendre (J Reid, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 7 Splice (5th), 8 Rustic Craft, 20 Rain Brother (6th), Look Who's Here, Aradanza, 33 Carranita, 50 Brigg Fair (4th), Star Family Friend. 11 ran. ¾l, ¾l, hd, 1½l, 3l. J Gosden at Newmarket. Tote: £1.90; £1.30, £3.90, £1.80. DF: £26.10. Trio £42.00. CSF: £14.16. 1min 13.94sec.

4.00 (5f 34yd) 1, SPOT PRIZE (R Cochrane, 4-1 jt-fav); 2, I'm Your Lady (L Dettori, 4-1 jt-fav); 3, Little Beaut (M Roberts, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 4-1 jt-fav Asdaf (5th), 9-2 Ann's Pearl (4th), 13-2 Malaga, 7 Marjorie's Orchid (6th). 7 ran. NR: Sound Of The Blues. 1l, 1½l, ¾l, 4l, 6l. D Elsworth at Whitsbury. Tote: £4.00; £2.30, £2.10. DF: £6.80. CSF: £18.49. 1min 5.58sec. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

4.30 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, OUTOSKY (R Cochrane, 100-30 jt-fav, Thunderer's nap); 2, Play With Me (L Dettori, 5-1); 3, Gold Tassel (M Roberts, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 jt-fav Susquehanna Days (5th), 15-2 Nemea, 8 Bay Queen, 12 Homemaker (6th), 14 Materis (4th), 33 Mim. 9 ran. ¾l, hd, 3½l, 3½l, 1½l. R Williams at Newmarket. Tote: £3.70; £1.80, £1.50, £3.80. DF: £6.90. Trio £25.80. CSF: £18.03. Tricast: £148.89. 2min 9.34sec.

5.00 (7f) 1, ARID (M Roberts, 11-1); 2, Tasnarco (L Dettori, 7-1); 3, Tiffany's Case (E Johnson, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 jt-fav Tumbling (5th), Court Minstrel, 7 Superoo (6th), Silky Siren, 8 Noble Risk (4th), 9 Queen Of Shannon, 20 Unification, Steppin High, 33 Broadway Ruckus. 12 ran. NR: Morocco. Sh hd, ¾l, hd, hd, 1½l. J Gosden at Newmarket. Tote: £18.80; £4.80, £2.20, £5.50. DF: £175.00. Trio £711.80. CSF: £79.19. Tricast: £682.51. 1min 30.53sec.

Jackpot: £5,734.80. (0.1 winning tickets. Pool of £7,269.58 carried forward to Newbury today). Placepot: £78.70.

Southwell

Going: standard

2.20 (5f) 1, Comet Whirlpool (J Quinn, 10-1); 2, Spring High (8-1); 3, Convenient Moment (9-1). Moving Image 7-2 fav. 10 ran. NR: Girl Next Door. 1l, ¾l. Pat Mitchell. Tote: £21.40; £5.60, £3.00, £2.60. DF: £37.90. CSF: £78.70. Tricast: £678.52.

2.50 (1m 4f) 1, First Fling (G Hind, 8-1); 2, Must Be Magical (7-2); 3, Anar (5-1). At Peace 5-2 fav. 10 ran. NR: Simply Superb. 1½l, 1½l. J Scargill. Tote: £7.90; £2.60, £1.80, £2.30. DF: £10.60. CSF: £39.39. Tricast: £151.56.

3.20 (6f) 1, Heathyards Crusade (S Perks, 10-1); 2, Four Of Spades (12-1); 3, Heaty Bank (5-4 fav). 8 ran. Sh hd, 1½l. R Hollinshead. Tote: £17.10; £3.90, £1.10, £1.10. DF: £48.90. CSF: £101.48.

3.50 (2m) 1, Scottish Wedding (O Pears, 4-1); 2, Flaming Miracle (9-4 fav); 3, Turfmans Vision (4-1). 8 ran. 20l, 25l. S Norton. Tote: £3.00; £2.40, £1.20. DF: £4.20. CSF: £12.47.

4.20 (7f) 1, Demi-Plie (G Carter, 10-11 fav); 2, Window Display (8-1); 3, Bien Cuit (16-1). 9 ran. 2l, 1½l. D Loder. Tote: £1.70; £1.20, £2.20, £3.80. DF: £4.90. CSF: £10.17.

4.50 (1m) 1, Red Cotton (P D'Arcy, 7-4); 2, Charlie Bigtime (4-6 fav); 3, Melodic Drive (9-1). 4 ran. 7l, 2l. M Stoute. Tote: £2.50. DF: £1.60. CSF: £3.38.

5.20 (7f) 1, Glenfield Greta (G Hind, 7-2 jt-fav); 2, Basalo (9-2); 3, Nellie's Gamble (7-2 jt-fav). Broughton's Port 7-2 jt-fav. 8 ran. 2l, hd. P Felgate. Tote: £4.80; £1.70, £1.30, £1.10. DF: £8.20. CSF: £18.37. Tricast: £52.61. Placepot: £47.30.

Thirsk

Going: good (good to firm back straight)

2.10 (1m 4f) 1, Persian Soldier (K Fallon, 11-2); 2, Pharly Dancer (3-1 fav); 3, Wanza (13-2). 7 ran. 2l, 3l. Mrs M Reveley. Tote: £5.90; £1.90, £1.80. DF: £5.70. CSF: £20.53.

2.40 (7f) 1, Kissing Cousin (W Ryan, 6-4 fav); 2, Orange Place (85-40); 3, Lambent (6-1). 4 ran. 6l, nk. H Cecil. Tote: £2.40. DF: £2.30. CSF: £4.73.

3.10 (1m) 1, Mulled Ale (G Duffield, 7-2); 2, Marx Monarch (2-1 fav); 3, Albait (14-1). 8 ran. Sh hd, sh hd. C Wall. Tote: £4.00; £1.60, £1.40, £2.80. DF: £4.30. CSF: £10.62. Tricast: £76.43. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

3.40 (6f) 1, Catherines Well (T Lucas, 11-2); 2, Densben (4-1 fav); 3, Sully's Choice (9-1). 9 ran. ¾l, ½l. M W Easterby. Tote: £7.20; £2.40, £1.90, £2.60. DF: £8.90. Trio: £46.60. CSF: £26.07. Tricast: £176.73.

4.10 (6f) 1, Potsclose (Dean McKeown, 10-1); 2, Manhattan Sunset (4-11 fav); 3, Douce Maison (4-1). 6 ran. Hd, 3½l. M Johnston. Tote: £7.00; £2.00, £1.10. DF: £4.00. CSF: £13.93.

4.40 (7f) 1, Pharon (G Duffield, 4-5 fav); 2, Mo-Addab (7-4); 3, Miss Ritz (33-1). 9 ran. ¾l, 2½l. Mrs J Cecil. Tote: £1.70; £1.10, £1.30, £5.10. DF: £2.20. CSF: £2.40.

5.10 (1m) 1, Young Jason (J Dennis, 12-1); 2, Sooty Tern (2-1 fav); 3, Brackenthwaite (10-1). 8 ran. 1l, ¾l. F Lee. Tote: £9.50; £2.20, £1.20, £2.00. DF: £10.10. CSF: £38.52. Tricast: £223.35.

Placepot: £19.30.

THURSDAY'S LATE DETAILS

Chepstow

Going: soft

6.30 (1m 4f 23yd) 1, Rimouski (D Wright, 13-2); 2, Hillzah (4-1). 3, Famous Beauty (7-2 fav). 9 ran. Sh hd, 4l. B Cambidge. Tote: £9.20; £2.10, £1.30, £1.80. DF: £10.50. CSF: £29.85. Tricast: £94.74.

7.00 (1m 2f 36yd) 1, Johns Act (J Williams, 6-1). 2, Complete Madness (9-4); 3, Map Of Stars (4-5 fav). 4 ran. NR: Thaleros, Well Suited. 1l, 6l. D Haydn Jones. Tote: £5.60. DF: £8.40. CSF: £17.20.

7.30 (6f 16yd) 1, Chickawicka (S Whitworth, 5-2 fav); 2, Hever Golf Rose (9-2); 3, Prince Danzig (16-1). 11 ran. 1l, 3½l. B Millman. Tote: £3.70; £1.70, £1.70, £3.10. DF: £14.60. CSF: £13.71. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

8.00 (2m 49yd) 1, Pondering (A Munro, 6-1); 2, Kadastrof (11-2). 3, Tilty (8-4 fav). 6 ran. 4l, 2½l. M Pipe. Tote: £5.50; £2.60, £2.80. DF: £14.90. CSF: £32.87.

8.30 (7f 16yd) 1, Prince Rodney (Mark Denaro, 11-2 jt-fav); 2, Spanish Love (8-1); 3, Palacegate Gold (8-1); Zinbaq 11-2 jt-fav. 14 ran. NR: Charmed Knave, Double The Stakes. ¾l, sh hd. R Hannon. Tote: £6.60; £2.30, £2.40, £2.40. DF: £26.20. Trio: £36.50. CSF: £44.84. Tricast: £320.95.

9.00 (5f 16yd) 1, Umbola (T Quinn, 9-4 fav); 2, Batchworth Bound (13-2); 3, Scarlet Princess (8-1). 10 ran. NR: Dayuz. 2½l, ½l. R Akehurst. Tote: £2.90; £1.70, £2.60, £2.60. DF: £8.20. CSF: £16.46. Tricast: £91.43.

Placepot: £2,180.60.

Hamilton Park

Going: good

6.45 (1m 65yd) 1, Missy-S (L Charnock, 12-1); 2, Drumdonna (9-4); 3, Grantion Bay (5-4 fav). 7 ran. NR: Valley Of Time. 4l, 2l. D Burchell. Tote: £10.60; £3.20, £2.00. DF: £10.60. CSF: £36.47

7.15 (1m 1f 36yd) 1, Best Appearance (K Fallon, 8-1); 2, I'm A Dreamer (8-1); 3, Efizia (3-1 fav). 7 ran. ¾l, 1½l. Jimmy Fitzgerald. Tote: £10.20; £2.00, £2.00. DF: £16.00. CSF: £56.22.

7.45 (5f 5yd) 1, Claret Bumble (G Duffield, 9-2); 2, Allegrobrain (7-4); 3, Celestial Rumour (10-11 fav). 3 ran. 3½l, 2l. P Haslam. Tote: £2.70. DF: £3.60. CSF: £10.29.

8.15 (5f 5yd) 1, Diet (R Havlin, 6-1). 2, Miss Whittingham (4-1); 3, Peedie Peat (10-1). Second Colours 100-30 fav. 7 ran. NR: Lucky Mill, Minsk. ½l, ¾l. Miss L Perratt. Tote: £5.50; £2.00, £2.80. DF: £14.90. CSF: £25.27. Tricast: £158.27. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

8.45 (5f 4yd) 1, Once More For Luck (K Darley, 100-30); 2, Three Of Hearts (16-1); 3, Spring Loaded (9-2). Lucius Locket 3-1 fav. 13 ran. ¾l, sh hd. Mrs M Reveley. Tote: £4.70; £2.10, £5.10, £2.10. DF: £24.40. CSF: £48.95.

9.15 (1m 3f 16yd) 1, Indian Flash (K Darley, 5-4 fav); 2, Mingavie (9-4); 3, The Premier Express (5-1). 7 ran. Hd, nk. R Guest. Tote: £1.90; £1.40, £2.00. DF: £1.70. CSF: £4.41

Placepot: £214.20.

Racing next week

MONDAY: Ayr, Bath, † Windsor.
TUESDAY: Edinburgh, Folkestone.
WEDNESDAY: Doncaster, Redcar, Yarmouth, † Sandown Park.
THURSDAY: Brighton, Hamilton Park, Yarmouth, † Doncaster.
FRIDAY: Ascot, Carlisle, Yarmouth, † Ayr, † Pontefract.
SATURDAY: Ascot, Ayr, Newcastle, Southwell (afternoon and evening), † Warwick.
† denotes evening meeting

SCRATCHINGS: All engagements (dead): What Lola Wants, Cashmiriana, Red Rosette.

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Saturday portrait: Jack Nicklaus, by John Hopkins, golf correspondent

Senior statesman with record that leaves him clear of the field

ILLUSTRATION BY STEVE MARTIN



A moment of symmetry occurred at Sandwich on Tuesday. Jack Nicklaus, who achieved his first victory in Britain on the Royal St George's course in 1959, returned for what will surely be his last competitive event at the famous Kent links, the 122nd Open.

Enter the sturdy, two-storey clubhouse less than one mile from the ancient Cinque port of Sandwich and, on the wall just to the right beyond the inner door, you will see a big brown honours board. It is headed "The St George's Grand Gold Challenge Cup". At the bottom is the legend: "Presented by Mrs W. R. Anderson 1888."

There, scored in gold lettering, are the dozens of winners of this amateur competition, led by John Ball Jr, in 1888. The entry for 1959 reads: J. Nicklaus 73 + 76 = 149.

If Nicklaus has a hallmark to put on his career, it is that he is competitive. It is not sufficient that he has won 20 major championships — six US Masters, five US PGA championships, four US Opens, three Opens and the US Amateur championships of 1959 and 1961 — a record far beyond that of anybody else. In the history of the game nobody has played so well for so long. He has not missed a major championship since he turned professional in 1961 and he has won more major titles than most golfers have won tournaments.

He has achieved 16 holes in one (Seve Ballesteros has not scored one competitively) and he has won 96 tournaments around the world, the most recent being the US Senior Open last Sunday.

Almost as remarkable is that in the 124 major championships in which he has competed as a professional he has come second in 18, third in nine and in the top ten in a further 20. The consistency of the man, not to mention his longevity, beggars belief. Nicklaus is not just the best player the game has seen but, given the way the game is changing and spreading around the world, his record will stand unrivalled well into the next century.

The remarkable drive for victory, which has served him so well for more than 30 years, is at the root of a dilemma Nicklaus faces, namely how much longer should he continue playing? How long can he continue to play golf worthy of his name? The demands on his time are considerable — so considerable that he has his own plane, with the call sign Air Bear, to speed his passage from appointment to appointment.

Golden Bear Enterprises includes a thriving business designing golf courses; the hundredth will open next week. It is possible to play golf on Nicklaus-designed courses on most continents. There is a management company and a club manufacturing company. And, of course, there is his family, his wife Barbara and their five grown up children, Jack II, Steven, Nancy Jean, Gary and Michael.

> 'For how much longer should he continue playing? For how long can he continue to play golf that is worthy of his name?'

Today, at 53, Jack William Nicklaus is certainly not as good as he once was. He has been unable to see far enough to follow the flight of his golf ball for years. His back is weak, he has a pain in his hip and this week he has been talking of a stiffness in his left shoulder. But, on occasion, Nicklaus is as good as he was.

He could hardly have demonstrated this better than in his opening rounds in two of the major championships this year. First there was a 67, five under par, in the Masters in April, good enough for him to share the lead with four men young enough to be his sons. In a nation where agism is as much a topic of conversation as sexism, this was news to hold the front page for. After all, Nicklaus is older than the president of the United States and he was competing in his 35th successive Masters.

Then came Thursday at Sandwich, the opening day of his 32nd successive Open. Nicklaus, notching two birdies in his first three holes, recorded a 69, one of a host of players to be under par. First rounds, then, are no problem. It is the later ones in which Nicklaus struggles and his 75 yesterday was no exception.

Golf has a habit of bringing almost everybody into line, making them observe the sanctity of the rules and cherish the honourable spirit of the game. Nicklaus has spoken of what golf has taught him. "A kid who plays golf is different from a lot of other athletes because he hasn't always had his own way. He's had to get along with older people and if he won't play by their rules he can't play at all."

Nicklaus believes the source of his enormous power was his physical strength. His only teacher, Jack Grout, encouraged him to hit the ball as hard as he could from the start. Nicklaus, underpinned by what you might call a sturdy undercarriage (he has massive thighs and a sprinter's calf muscles) became a prodigious hitter.

This enabled him to go for the green even when his ball was in the rough and to reach almost any par five in two. As an indication of his strength and power when he was at his best, he reached the green of the 528-yard 17th hole in the final round of the 1966 Open at Muirfield, which he won, with a three-iron and a five-iron.

Before Nicklaus, nobody had prepared so intensely for every championship. He was the first leading player to start measuring distances instead of relying on eyesight. In practice, he would hit one drive to the middle of the fairway, one to the left and one to the right. Sometimes he would drop balls in the rough and play them all to the green. He would hit putts to every possible pin position. He left nothing to chance. By the start of play he could practically play each hole blindfold.

The nearest equivalent to Nicklaus among today's generation of professionals is Bernhard Langer, who measures from the front and back of sprinkler heads — in yards and metres.

Nicklaus was born into middle-class surroundings on January 21, 1940, in Columbus, Ohio, the son of a chemist. He had a comfortable upbringing. He wanted for nothing that could be bought on his father's credit card at the Scioto Golf Club, a wonderful Donald Ross-designed course in Columbus.

It was at the 1960 US Open at Cherry Hills, in Denver, Colorado, that Nicklaus burst to national prominence. He was then a student at Ohio State University and a golf prodigy who had won 29 out of 30 matches against the world's best amateurs the previous year. Nicklaus was 5ft 11in and weighed nearly 15 stone. His imposing physical presence was not diminished by a spiky crew cut and a high-pitched voice. His nickname at university was Blob-o.

That June, Blob-o, the 20-year-old sensation, played the last two rounds with Ben Hogan, then aged 47. With six holes remaining Nicklaus led and history was in the making. But he was overtaken by Arnold Palmer, then 30, and Nicklaus finished second, setting a record for an amateur in the tournament.

Last Sunday Nicklaus thrilled his supporters with victory in the US Senior Open at the same Denver course where he had almost unseated Palmer 33 years earlier. On Thursday Nicklaus delighted the burghers of Kent with his play on the course he had first competed on 34 years ago. The wheel has surely turned its allotted circle. Even Nicklaus, the golfer of the century, cannot go on for ever.

Couples falters towards the end

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

FRED Couples, who virtually dismissed his chances of winning the Open at the start of the week, was "thrilled" yesterday after a 66 left him right in the thick of the action on six under par.

Yet his round had promised to be even better. The 1992 US Masters champion stood on the 17th tee needing two pars to equal the Royal St George's record of 64, but like many before and after him he bogeyed them both.

Couples, who had earlier picked up seven birdies, then spoke about the difference made not just by a few days of hard practice but also the passage of time.

Last July he stormed out of Muirfield an unhappy man. He had missed the cut in "my favourite tournament" and his 11-year marriage was hitting the rocks.

"I was not having any fun off the course and I was not in the mood to talk," he said. Asked if he was having fun this week Couples, who has his girlfriend, Tanya Dodds, with him, agreed that he was.

After teeing off at 7.35am, Couples, 33, holed putts of 18 and 25 feet on the second and third, sank two further birdie putts before the turn and then three more in a row from the 12th.

But as the wind began to strengthen the demanding 17th halted his charge. A two-iron shot was pushed into the rough and at the 468-yard last he went left with the same club and once more failed to get up and down.

"Everything was going right for a while, but I really needed pars at both 17 and 18," Couples said. He was also left regretting a missed birdie chance at the 16th where his six-foot putt leaked away on the low side of the hole.

Adventurer Ballesteros blown off course as years exact heavy toll

Andrew Longmore on the fading fortunes of a past master who still managed to capture the imagination of the Open crowds

After a brief and unhealthy brush with conformity on the opening day, Severiano Ballesteros was back in the old routine yesterday. He missed fairways with gay abandon, savaged the rough, paced, cursed, waved and produced the shot of the Open Championship in holing a nine-iron from 110 yards at the 15th. All to no avail.

By the end of a tough morning, Ballesteros was out of contention at the championship this year, dreams of a fourth title sketched by a promising first round erased by the elements and his own declining powers. "That was hard work. Like rowing a boat into rough water," Ballesteros said after a three-over-par 73 had left him one over for the tournament.

It was ever thus. But, in the past, the Spaniard had the power and the confidence to cut through the choppiest of seas instead of being buffeted, as he is now, not just by advancing age and a persistent back injury, but by a loss of nerve, which no amount of growling and prowling can obscure. Ballesteros, once the acknowledged master of the knee-trembler, missed at least three putts from inside five feet and his demeanour, his frowns and fidgets, no longer inspire the same confidence as they did in his prime days when every course had to be bludgeoned into submission.

Indeed, the more exaggerated Ballesteros's preparations become — the retreat, the long look before every shot, the purposeful approach to the ball, the trademark hitch of the trousers — the less certain are his shots. At times, what is left is the outline, the manner, the paraphernalia of a great player, without the substance.

As Boris Becker and Martina Navratilova can tell you, it is a painful process trying to come to terms with your own fallibility and experience does not always prove an adequate buffer. "Experience can help because you know things now that you didn't early on in your career. But it can affect your confidence too, make you doubt yourself and become too cautious," he said.

Earlier in the week, Ballesteros had admitted, perhaps for the first time, that he could no longer reproduce the consistent brilliance of old, but could still manufacture the odd reminder of it. Yesterday was a case study of that truth. A badly hooked second shot to the 10th prompted a Becker-like tirade of abuse aimed at himself, as he slammed his club into the ground. His next shot, from a greenside bunker, was exquisite and the next, another bungled short putt, returned him to even par.

On the 7th, he plotted a course through the thick rough down the left of the fairway, but salvaged his par with a chip and a putt. It was left to the leader boards, which were recording the charges of Fred Couples and Bernhard Langer, to lend a sense of perspective to Ballesteros's exercise in damage limitation. Despite the wind, the conditions were tailor-made for gaining ground.

Not that the crowds, who fête him wherever he goes, mind one jot what sort of golf he plays these days. His admirers, who emerge from every nook and cranny on the course, see a great champion and if they catch a glimpse of his greatness, so much the better. If not, well, the memory can be jogged a little.

Those who waited patiently at the 15th will forever remember the nine-iron shot which bounced twice before thumping into the hole for Ballesteros's third birdie of the round. The cheers would not have been longer or louder had he been marching down the final fairway on the last day, acknowledging another major title. Rightly, his followers will discard the bogey which preceded it and the two with which, like the first day, he finished his round.

"The wind was blowing harder today and I just didn't play as well as I did yesterday," Ballesteros explained. "I didn't feel comfortable on any of my putts. It was like old times, wasn't it? A little bit inconsistent."

After missing the cut four times this year and finishing well down the field in every tournament since the Dubai Classic in January, Ballesteros's confidence coming into the Open was as fragile as cut glass. In the first round, he had begun well and ended badly. Yesterday, he began badly, ended badly and was indifferent in between. Once he had dropped strokes at two of the first four holes yesterday, he never threatened to build on his first-round 68.

Seve is back, proclaimed the morning headlines. But only for a day. By the afternoon, he was back on the practice ground. What was he working on? "Everything," he replied.

IAN STEWART



Staring reality in the face: Ballesteros's Open challenge slipped away during his round of 73 yesterday

Els tames rage

BY MEL WEBB

ERNIE Els is a quiet man consumed by an inner passion and a towering rage fired by anything less than perfection. He is grimly determined to be the best, and yesterday he demonstrated why, at the age of 23, he is already his country's leading player.

Els, who had a 69 to finish on 137, three under par, within hailing distance of the leaders, goes into the third round this morning with a genuine chance of at least emulating his performance in the Open last year, when he finished equal fifth at Muirfield. Anything worse will be counted as failure by the young South African.

Last season, Els became the first man since Gary Player, in 1979, to win the South African Open, PGA and Masters in one season.

Comparisons between the two are inevitable; they are linked by their ambition, yet divided by their appearance, personality and method. Where Player is small and neat, Els is tall and gangling, where Player is all extrovert Els is naturally shy, and where Player swings fast and flat Els, like many tall men who play the game well, is upright and slow.

If prompted, Els will trot out the familiar old line: "I don't want to be the second Gary Player, I want to be the first Ernie Els." It is a quote that has been heard thousands of times before, but it is none the less valid for all that. He is going places, and he will not settle for second behind anybody.

At 6ft 3in and 15st, Els is a commanding physical presence, not unlike Faldo, but he has not yet acquired the exterior polish that goes with celebrity.

Yesterday he was playing with Sam Torrance and Fuzzy Zoeller, both hardened professionals who have been around for as long as Els has been alive. Neither was completely comfortable with their game or their scoring, but nobody could have guessed it without sustained close examination. It looked no more than a stroll in the park with old friends.

Els, on the other hand, revealed, by his body language if very little else, that the occasion was having its effect upon him. He rarely talked to the others, wrapped up as he was in his own small world of concentration and purpose. He likes to play at his own brisk pace, and when his group were held up on the 11th tee by the halting progress of the three-ball in front — it contained Jack Nicklaus, so nobody should have been too surprised — he fidgeted and fretted, chewed a chocolate bar while perched impatiently on the end of his bag. Zoeller and Torrance, meanwhile, smiled a philosophical smile and smoked a cigarette.

Els birdied the 12th to go to four under, then dropped shots at both the 14th, where he played a dreadful pitch to the front edge and three-



Els: determined

putted, and the 15th, where he under-clubbed to the green and took two putts from six feet.

Immediately he became tense. An extra hitch of the trousers here, a moment of indecision in club selection there; the difference was palpable. This was the Open Championship, a big deal, the biggest four days of the year, maybe of his sporting life. "I was seething out there," he said when it was all over. "There was no excuse. I was very angry with myself."

Still, he contained his anger, and got his fifth birdie of the day at the 17th, where he hit a bank between two bunkers to the right of the green, got a lucky bounce to within six feet of the pin and made the putt.

He ended well, too. Having disappeared down Duncan's Hollow to the left of the last green and made a mess of his chip, he holed a brave putt from 15 feet to save his par. It was a finish that did total justice to the first Ernie Els.

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Enigmatic Australian plays second fiddle to champion show again

Roar for Norman silenced by Faldo's charge



DAVID MILLER
At Royal St George's

The wind rose loftily at Sandwich yesterday and with it Greg Norman. Yet just when his surge was at its peak, with successive birdies at the 12th and 13th, so the roar from one hole out in front signified that Nick Faldo was doing likewise at the 13th and 14th.

Norman was to be upstaged again before the finish. Attempting to rally on the 17th green, after twice being in the rough and then off the back of the green with an over-strong pitch, he was obliged to break away from addressing his first putt as another wave of sound rolled across the dunes, greeting Faldo's birdie at the 18th.

Did Faldo's presence at the top give him an added incentive, Norman was asked afterwards. "We'd all like to knock him off," he replied with that wide, toothpaste smile, his voice carrying just a trace of resentment that suggested Faldo, the trophy-winning machine, was in fact all that Norman would really like to be.

The tall, blond Australian remains an enigma. Massively competent from tee to green, those huge shoulders sending the ball 300 yards and more, the iron wrists enabling him to make phenomenal recoveries out of the rough, he nonetheless too regularly under-performs with the talent he possesses. Yesterday, for several holes in the middle of the round, he was lightheartedly jesting with his partners, Tom Purtzer and Gary Evans, from Worthing, and with marshalls, to the point where you questioned his level of motivation.

"That's the way I like to play," he reflected later. "I'm not going to put pressure on myself and be Mr Sour out there." With only one major to his name, you might have supposed he would have been a shade more earnest.

To what degree, it has to be wondered, has the fortune which Norman accumulates from endorsements off the course induced or even encouraged the attitude 'if I win, fine, if I don't, too bad'. Failure at his level of the game is still marvellously profitable.

Consider his pullover yesterday, for instance. Tom Watson, say, would not be seen dead in it: an ice hockey umpire's stripes at the back, a Mexican second-division football shirt's peacock mauve at the front. Only money, surely, could persuade anyone to walk about in public in such a garment.

Whatever his motive, however, Norman was a substantial force from first to last on a day when Sandwich returned to its normal glory, the basin-like greens surrounded by huge crowds and sheltered from the wind, the hay fields that are the rough once more dry and sweet-smelling with their clover, vetch, columbine and a host of other wild flowers.

> 'Norman remains an enigma. Massively competent from tee to green, he none the less under-performs too regularly with the talent he possesses'

The wild power of Norman was controlled. Starting four under par, he hit a sand wedge to within nine feet at the 2nd hole and made the putt to go five under. At the 4th, however, he was lucky just to hold out for his par.

Just clearing the trap-bunkers on the hill, he found himself in difficult deep rough just over the brow with a downhill lie, but those massive wrists forced the ball out to within 90 yards on the 468-yard par-four hole. His pitch ran 30 feet past the flag on a green as tricky as the surface of a popadom, but his putt just crept in off the rim of the hole.

Three-putting from 35 feet, he dropped a shot at the 5th, only to recover it immediately with a six iron to within seven feet at the short 6th.

The next five holes were held to par, enlivened by Purtzer's eagle putt from 60 feet at the 7th. At the turn the wind eased, though Norman wasted a chance of a birdie at the 10th when he misjudged the borrow and ran round the outside of the hole. At the 11th, from 30 feet, he was a mere four inches away from yet another birdie.

A fine approach to within six feet at the 12th made him six under. Then, controlling his tee shot and approach in the crosswind at the 13th, he perfectly read the borrow from 20 feet to go seven under. A poor pitch from a perfect position at the long 14th squandered the chance to go a shot in front of Faldo at that stage.

But at the 15th he was off the back of the green and chipped to within eight feet to save his par, then grazed the hole to halt six inches past at the short 16th which might have been another shot saved. Now came the misjudgments of the 17th. Taking practice swings in the rough, a series of divets flew out of the grass as though a ditch digger were at work but this time his short iron again landed off the fairway. There was no chance of emulating Faldo at the 18th when his approach ran wide to the left, almost out of bounds, yet everything remains to play for over the next two days.

IAN STEWART



Putting the finishing touches: Norman on the 2nd green yesterday

No place to hold picnic

REG Glading, who tumbled into golfing legend when he over-balanced playing a shot in that vertigo-inducing bunker at the fourth in the English amateur championship of 1979 — it was the 22nd hole of the quarter-final — had intended to be at Royal St George's yesterday. Instead he was due to leave hospital after an operation for a detached retina — his second.

Glading, an irrepressible Surrey man and once the oldest scratch player in the country, is captain of Mitcham this year, having succeeded his brother Kenny, and he has been following the Open from his hospital bed.

He sympathised hugely when Mike Harwood had to go mountaineering and the memories started to flood back for him.

"I really thought it was a bit unfair when I played it," he said. "There were no sleepers then and you couldn't walk up the bunker because the sand just disintegrated. It was hopeless. I felt sorry for that Australian and I'd have done exactly what he did."

Glading, cruelly overlooked by England throughout his career, had carried the bunker from the tee all week during his championship but in his titanic struggle against David Williams, he found himself plugged six feet from the top and had to concede the match when he toppled over playing his recovery.

Glading, his club and the ball came to rest in a flurry of penalty strokes at the bottom of the bunker.

The ignominious end was made harder to bear by the fact that Williams had already played two and was only up to the bunker. "He felt terrible," Glading recalled, "and I had a headache."

Evening odds

It's not often you meet a bookie who admits that he may have miscalculated but Nick Stewart, of Sporting Index, has been looking at all those people under par and is starting to sweat a little.

Andrew Chandler, professional and bon viveur turned manager, and Chris Moody, professional, bon viveur and columnist, are Stewart's advisers on matters of golf and they told him, "Don't worry. Nobody'll finish under par on this course."

They had history on their side, for there have been eleven other Opens at Sandwich and the only man to break par was Bill Rogers, the champion in 1981.

However, after the first round there were 47 players under par and Stewart was starting to pray for wind and lots of it. "We may have got it badly wrong," he said. "At the moment we stand to lose £800 for every man over ten who is under par. In other words, if there are 20 people under par, we'll have to pay out £8,000."

At the last count, his prayers were having an effect — there were only 23 players under par and several of those still had holes to play.

Not that he has any of my sympathy. Two thirds of my bet are already down the tube. Sandy Lyle and Jose Maria Olazábal missed the cut. Come on Paul Azinger.

William Hill now make Nick Faldo the clear favourite at 6-4. They then go 7-2 Langer, 11-2 Norman, 7-1 Couples, 14-1 Pavin, 20-1 Price and Senior, 25-1 Mize and 33-1 Els.

PATRICIA DAVIES AT THE OPEN

Proud parent

It may be the Open Championship but Jamie Spence's priorities changed for ever on Thursday when his wife, Sally-Ann, two weeks overdue, at last gave birth to their first child, Samuel David, who weighed in at 8lb 11oz.

Spence drove home to Tunbridge Wells after a first round of 69 to see them both and avoided all the traffic yesterday by flying back for his second round in a friend's helicopter. He shot 72.

Tricky approach

Traffic at the championship can be pretty horrendous and the little narrow streets of Sandwich are easily clogged, despite the best efforts of the Kent police.

However, a sign near the toll bridge that read "Golf traffic nearside lane", baffled one visitor completely. The entire road at that point happens to be eight feet wide.

Pyman has silver lining in sight

By Patricia Davies

MR R.T. Jones, widely known as Bobby, was the last amateur to win the Open Championship, way back in 1930, at Hoylake. Since then, it has been initials only on the honours board, as the game, and the title, fell to the professionals, the players superseding the gentlemen.

Mr I. D. Pyman, the reigning Amateur champion, known in these more informal times as Iain, is a 20-year old from Leeds and he came to Sandwich hoping to emulate Jones in only one way — he wanted to be the leading amateur. Winning was not what he had in mind.

It did not even cross his mind when he started with three birdies in the first six holes yesterday and moved to five under par, within touching distance of the leaders. He did think, in his restrained Yorkshire fashion, "Oh, this is all right" when he saw his name on the leader board but he refused to get nervous or flustered.

"I was confident after the first round," he said — he shot 68 — "and I felt quite relaxed. I felt nervous on the 1st tee, but everyone does and I had the perfect start. I hit a good drive, an easy six-iron to 15 feet and holed the putt for a birdie three."

At the 5th he hit a four-iron off the tee and a seven-iron to 12ft for another birdie. At the 6th, a par three of 155 yards, he hit an easy five-iron to 15ft and surprised himself by holing the putt.

"It was downhill and difficult and you don't expect to hole them, although you hope to," he said. "It was a bit of luck."

His playing partners were impressed. At that stage, Gary Player, the South African who needs no introduction, was three over par and Larry Mize, the Masters champion in 1987, was four under, having also holed for a two at the sixth.

"I was really impressed with the young man," Player said. "He could manufacture shots and he's a marvellous putter. If you're not that, you can forget it."

Player also told Pyman's father, Dennis, who was caddying for him, that he should carry the clubs at Augusta next April. "He said Iain was so talented he didn't need me to read the greens," Dennis said, "and that I should go there and caddy for him and have a great week."

The Pymans are having one of those at the moment, even if the last ten holes had all the delights of a custard pie in the face. Shots slipped away at the 9th, 11th, 14th, 15th and 18th and the dreams of glory turned into the realities of a 72, respectable but disappointing.

"I don't know what it was," Pyman Jr said. "Concentration probably."

"I do hope people won't say it was the pressure," his father added. "He just played some bad shots."

The man himself thought he putted poorly and pinpointed that as the big difference between his partners and himself — "They're in a different league". It is a league that he hopes to compete in before too long, but he will remain an amateur for another year or so, to enjoy the rewards of the title he won so memorably at Royal Portrush in May.

On Sunday, providing he stays on his feet over the next two rounds, he will add the silver medal presented to the leading amateur to his booty — none of the other five made the cut, including Justin Leonard, the highly rated United States Amateur champion — and that is what he came to Sandwich for.

SCORES AT THE HALFWAY STAGE

Early finishers
GB and Ireland unless stated

132: N Faldo, 69, 63.

133: B Langer (Ger), 67, 66.

134: F Couples (US), 68, 66; G Norman (Aus), 66, 68; C Pavin (US), 68, 66.

135: P Senior (Aus), 66, 69.

136: F Zoeller (US), 66, 70; L Mize (US), 67, 69.

137: P Baker, 70, 67; E Els (SA), 68, 69; J Daly (US), 71, 66.

138: G Morgan (US), 70, 68; B Lane, 70, 68, M McNulty (Zim), 67, 71; S Simpson (US), 68, 70.

139: F Nobilo (NZ), 69, 70; R Davis (Aus), 68, 71; A Sorensen (Den), 69, 70; D Waldorf (US), 68, 71; M Calcavecchia (US), 66, 73; H Clark, 67, 72.

140: P Broadhurst, 71, 69; C O'Connor Jr, 72, 68; L Janzen (US), 69, 71; M James, 70, 70; W Westner (SA), 67, 73; R Drummond, 73, 67; *I Pyman, 68, 72; T Purtzer (US), 70, 70; T Lehman (US), 69, 71.

141: P Melony (Aus), 70, 71; V Singh (Fiji), 69, 72; D Forsman (US), 71, 70; J Rivero (Sp), 68, 73; S Ballesteros (Sp), 68, 73; O Karlsson (Swe), 70, 71, J Huston (US), 68, 73; J Spence, 69, 72.

142: R Floyd (US), 70, 72; M Harwood (Aus), 72, 70; D Frost (SA), 69, 73; S Torrance, 72, 70; R Mediate (US), 71, 71, J Sewell, 70, 72; S Ames (Trin), 67, 75; M Piñero (Sp), 71, 72; James Cook, 71, 71, J Parnevik (Swe), 69, 74; P Azinger (US), 69, 73; G Mason, 69, 73; W Grady (Aus), 74, 68; H Twitty (US), 71, 71; J Van De Velde (Fr), 75, 67; I Baker-Finch (Aus), 73, 69.

143: I Garbutt, 68, 75; A Magee (US), 71, 72; P Mitchell, 73, 70; M Sunesson (Swe), 70, 73; T Pernice (US), 73, 70; W Guy, 70, 73; R Willison, 73, 70; M Jiménez (Sp), 69, 74; G Turner (NZ), 67, 76; P Stewart (US), 71, 72; S Elkington (Aus), 72, 71; I Woosnam, 72, 71.

144: E O'Connell, 74, 70; A Johnstone (Zim), 72, 72; C Rocca (It), 71, 73; C Beck (US), 73, 71; J Nicklaus (US), 69, 75; R Allenby (Aus), 69, 75; D Hammond (US), 69, 75; G Day (US), 67, 77; G Player (SA), 73, 71; W Andrade (US), 70, 74; T Watson (US), 71, 73; D Love (US), 70, 74; F Allem (SA), 73, 71.

145: M Gates, 72, 73; John Cook (US), 73, 72; V Fernandez (Arg), 73, 72; J Maggert (US), 72, 73; A Forsbrand (Swe), 71, 74; B Crenshaw (US), 70, 75; E Romero (Arg), 73, 72; R Goosen (SA), 69, 76; S Richardson, 72, 73; L Wadkins (US), 72, 73; P McGinley, 73, 72; G Evans, 67, 78.

146: D W Basson (SA), 72, 74; J Sluman (US), 74, 72; R Karlsson (Swe), 74, 72; P Way, 72, 74; M Hallberg (Swe), 69, 77; R Lee, 72, 74; A Lyle, 70, 76.

147: J Gallagher Jr, 73, 74; Chen Tze-Ming (Taiwan), 73, 74; M O'Meara (US), 71, 76; J Olazábel (Sp), 73, 74; N Ozaki (Japan), 70, 77; J Haeggman (Swe), 73, 74; D Gilford, 72, 75.

148: J McGovern (US), 74, 74; *M Welch, 74, 74; T Fukuzawa (Japan), 73, 75; P Johansson (Swe), 69, 79; S Pate (US), 79, 69.

149: B Faxon (US), 70, 79; R Chapman, 73, 76; G Brand Jr, 70, 79; M Davis, 74, 75; P Smith, 75, 74; M Clayton (Aus), 72, 77; D Feherty, 77, 72.

150: B Tellería (Fr), 73, 77.

151: A Sherborne, 73, 78; T Nash, 70, 81; L Rinker (US), 78, 73.

152: G Farr, 73, 79; P Scott, 73, 79.

155: R Kawagishi (Japan), 77, 78.

156: N Sugai (Japan), 74, 82.

159: N Van Rensburg (SA), 82, 77.

* denotes amateur

Sandwich: Round Shot by Shot

OUTWARD NINE

Hole	Yds	Par	Strokes (total)	
1	441	4	Drive, 5-iron to 4ft, one putt	(birdie 3)
2	378	4	Drive, wedge to 20ft, two putts	(par 4)
3	210	3	2-iron to 15ft, two putts	(par 3)
4	468	4	Drive, 2-iron, 6-iron chip to 4ft, one putt	(par 4)
5	421	4	3-iron, 7-iron to 10ft, one putt	(birdie 3)
6	155	3	6-iron to 20ft, one putt	(birdie 2)
7	530	5	Drive, 6-iron to 40ft, two putts	(birdie 4)
8	418	4	Drive, 3-iron to 25ft, two putts	(par 4)
9	389	4	2-iron, 9-iron to 20ft, two putts	(par 4)
	3,306	35		31

INWARD NINE

Hole	Yds	Par	Strokes (total)	
10	399	4	Drive, 9-iron to 12ft, two putts	(par 4)
11	216	3	5-iron to 20ft, two putts	(par 3)
12	365	4	Drive, wedge to 6ft, two putts	(par 4)
13	443	4	3-wood, 9-iron to 4ft, one putt	(birdie 3)
14	507	5	2-iron, 5-iron, 7-iron, wedge from 50yds	(birdie 4)
15	466	4	Drive, 5-iron to 18ft, two putts	(par 4)
16	183	3	5-iron to 15ft, two putts	(par 3)
17	425	4	Drive, 4-iron to 25ft, two putts	(par 4)
18	468	4	Drive, 2-iron to 12ft, one putt	(birdie 3)
	3,542	35		32
Total	6,860	70		63

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Defending champion spreadeagles field at Royal St George's with one of his greatest rounds

Faldo's record 63 sweeps him into Open lead

By John Hopkins, Golf Correspondent

NICK Faldo brought the 122nd Open championship to life yesterday. He played one of his greatest rounds to break the course record at Royal St George's with a 63 which gave him the outright lead at the halfway stage.

Last year Faldo hit a three-iron 197 yards to the 72nd green at Muirfield. Played under extreme pressure, it was arguably the shot that won him the 1992 Open championship.

Yesterday he hit a two-iron 200 yards to the 18th green at Royal St George's — and it helped to give him the halfway lead in this year's championship.

Faldo's iron to within 15 feet of the flag on the last green, followed by his holing the putt, earned him a brilliant round of 63. This spreadeagled the field.

His round beat by one stroke the record set by Christy O'Connor jr on the first day of the 1985 Open here, equalled the Open record, and set a record for this redoubtable links course. It also made him a strong favourite to win his fourth Open and his sixth major title.

His round, the sixth best in the Open, was one of the greatest he has played. He had arrived at the course in the late morning to see that Bernhard Langer had taken advantage of the calm conditions and moved to seven under par, six strokes ahead of him.

Fred Couples had gone round in 66 and was lurking one stroke behind Langer. As Faldo set about his business, other players were taking advantage of the conditions, too.

This presented Faldo with the challenge that often brings out the best in him: play up or look out. Given a choice, he can sometimes be too conservative. Given no choice, he just has to go for it, all guns blazing.

He had done so in the recent Irish Open when he began the last round four strokes behind. There he birdied the first hole and he did so again yesterday, hitting a sweet five iron to within four feet of the first hole and sinking the putt.

The fifth, the hole that John Daly had driven in practice, fell to a birdie when a ten-foot putt disappeared into the hole.

Faldo holed from 20 feet, a beautiful curling putt that he judged to perfection on The Maiden, no doubt shooting a glance of appreciation up at the towering sandhill to the left of the green that gives the hole its name.

Downwind the seventh was comfortably within range. He needed only a six-iron and two putts were a formality. Two pars and Faldo was out in 31, equalling the record for the outward half first set by Henry Cotton in 1934 and equalled earlier this week by Peter Senior.

Everything was falling into place for Faldo — he was on the march. So was Greg Norman just behind him. One danger was that, in the heat of the moment, his swing would speed up and a wild shot would result. It did — at the moment he least expected it.

On the feared 14th, where the out of bounds on the right acts like a siren mermaid to a sailor, drawing many to their doom, Faldo ducked out of the challenge.

He took a two-iron for safety and it went far too far left. He strove to extricate himself with a five-iron that cleared the Suez Canal but remained in the thick rough and then hit what he later described as a very good seven-iron that carried no more than 120 yards and ended in the light rough.

So far he had not touched the fairway. From there he plopped a pitching wedge straight into the hole. It was the sort of fortune that favours the brave, which Faldo manifestly had not been on the tee.

But yesterday was his day all right. It was reminiscent of a chip in he had on the first day of the 1990 Open at St Andrews when, using an eight-iron, he steered his ball through the Valley of Sin and into the hole from 45 yards.

That stroke of fortune set him up for the remaining challenges — the bunkers on the short 16th, the feared 17th, which was so long into the wind, and the mighty 18th. He met them all.

"That was the good thing about the back nine," he said. "I took the half chances I had and had that lucky break. That round was as good as any I have played. It was blustery out there. There was a lot of cross-wind. You had to work your shots all the time."

Later, Corey Pavin moved stealthily towards Faldo's position as leader. He had six birdies in ten holes and was within one stroke of Faldo's total as he stood on the 17th tee. But, into the strong wind, the 17th was too tall an order for Pavin. He bogeyed it as had Greg Norman, Peter Senior, Larry Mize, Fred Couples and Fuzzy Zoeller before him. Faldo got one of the few pars on this difficult hole.

When Faldo came to the 18th, he knew the course record was within his grasp. But it took a birdie to get it, one of only three all day on this 468-yard hole, which is considered to be one of the fiercest of all the courses on the Open rota. Yesterday, when it was playing its full length, we could see why.

For a moment Faldo stood there, arms raised, acknowledging the roars that rang out from the three stands. It had been quite a round. It had been quite a day.

Open rounds of 63

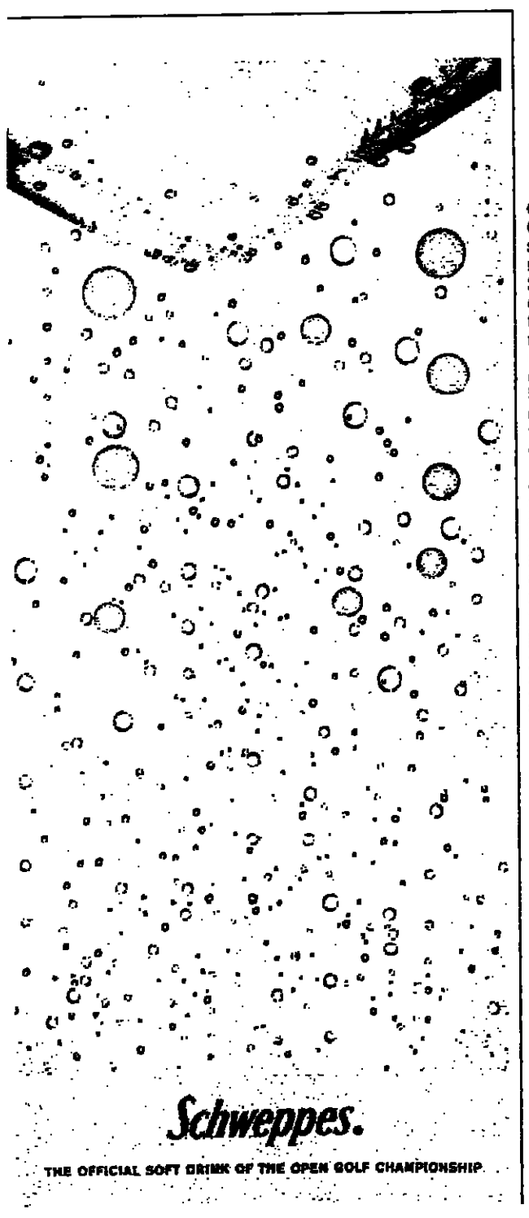
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1980	Isao Aoki (Japan)	Muirfield
1986	Greg Norman (Aus)	Turnberry
1990	Paul Broadhurst (Eng)	St Andrews
1991	Jodie Mudd (US)	Birkdale
1993	Nick Faldo (Eng)	Sandwich

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IAN STEWART



What a card: Nick Faldo at the 18th yesterday holding his record-breaking scorecard after the round which took him into the lead



Langer turns back clock and stays in contention

By Our Golf Correspondent

ON the second day of the 1985 Open at Royal St George's, a storm raged for most of the morning and early afternoon. Sullen grey clouds scudded overhead while underneath, to an accompaniment of a moaning wind, golfers like Bernhard Langer fought the course and the elements as best they could. In Langer's case he did it pretty successfully, scoring a remarkable 69.

It is beginning to look like a case of *déjà vu*. Langer was the US Masters champion then and he is the Masters champion now. He played in the morning then and in the morning yesterday. And his 66 in the comparative calm yesterday bore more than passing resemblance to his heroic 69 eight years ago. He was two strokes behind the leaders in 1985. He is one stroke behind the leader in 1993.

"Langer's play was outstanding," Lee Janzen, his playing partner, said after playing alongside the Masters champion for two days.

"He doesn't make errors of course management. He hits the right club to the right spot and holed every putt he could make." That was a nice tribute from the US Open champion but it was no less than Langer deserved after a round that was almost error free.

A few years ago Langer's fellow professionals voted him one of the best in their business at coping with the challenges presented by different golf courses.

"Course management is one of my strengths," Langer agreed. "I've heard a lot of players who play with me say that. Generally I know where I want to go and what I want to do. For example, I played an iron off the 14th tee because I couldn't reach the green in two, so why risk going out of bounds?"

Langer said that in his 66 there had been perhaps five perfect strokes: a three-iron on the 8th that ended three inches from the flag; a six-iron on the 5th; another three-iron, this time on the 7th; a four-iron that bored through the strong left-to-right wind on the short 11th; and an eight-iron from the rough on the 14th that ended eight feet from the flag. Perhaps only one shot was bad: his drive on the 18th, which hit but did not hurt a woman spectator.

Another of Langer's characteristics is his resolve. Negatives are turned into positives, bad shots become triumphs. His week started badly. His neck hurt, his house was not to his taste when he arrived and, to cap it all, his car was damaged in a car park.

"No, I don't feel badly about these things," Langer said. "The way I look at them is to say to myself it can only get better. I knew my week could only improve."

And so it did. His round was played mainly in the calm though a wind got up after the turn. "I wasn't playing very well in practice, but Simon Holmes [his coach] gave me a different swing thought and it's improved my tempo. My golf has been pretty good these last two days, almost as good as it was at Augusta," Langer said.

"Maybe I should say I am really happy but it is too early to get excited. I am just happy to be among the leaders." Just as he was in 1985.

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Daly control puts him in reckoning

By Mel Webb

JOHN Daly gripped it, ripped it, and put himself in contention with a 66 and a halfway score of 137, five shots behind Nick Faldo. The Wild Thing took advantage of a day of fine weather and blue skies at Sandwich to put together his best round in the Open.

He had a birdie at the 2nd, where he sank a nine-foot putt, then assembled a run of three birdies to reach the turn in 31.

He picked up a shot on the short 6th, where he put a six-iron to a foot, and reduced the 530-yard 7th, playing downwind admittedly, to a nine-iron second shot pin-high on the left. Two putts, the second from six feet, put him three under par for the day and two under for the championship.

On the 8th, he unleashed another huge drive, and his six-iron second left him with a ten-footer, which he sank with aplomb.

Further birdies came on the 12th, where he holed a ten-foot putt uphill, and with a brisk wind blowing from the west and dead against, he could not possibly have been tempted to clear the Suez Canal 327 yards from the tee on the 14th.

However, where for others it was a full three-shotter, Daly hit the green pin-high with a drive and a one-iron, then calmly took two putts from 30 feet. He had made it look easy.

"You have got to be patient, but I'm learning, and that's important," he said. "I'm just pleased to be playing on Saturday and Sunday.

"I like this course because I can use my driver at almost every hole. Last year at Muirfield, I tried to beat the wind. This year I'm letting the wind be my friend.

"I forgot to shave yesterday, and after this round I might not shave for the next couple of months if it makes me play like this. I'm not superstitious — just lazy, I guess."

Mansell crashes in practice session

By Oliver Holt

NIGEL Mansell's attempt to preserve his dwindling lead in the IndyCar motor racing series got off to a shaky start on the streets of Toronto yesterday when his Newman-Haas Lola Ford smashed into a wall at nearly 100mph during the morning practice session.

Mansell, who was driving his back-up car, was not hurt in the incident, but could take no further part in the session and finished sixth behind the Penskes of Stefan Johansson, Paul Tracy and Emerson Fittipaldi with an average speed of 106.534mph.

"He was trying real hard out there to get closer to the Penskes and his wheels just locked up," an IndyCar spokesman said. "He went into the wall and the tyre barriers at the beginning of the long straightaway.

"He was taken to the medical centre for a precautionary check-up, but he is fine."

Going into tomorrow's race, held on a 1.78-mile, 11-turn temporary road course, his advantage over Fittipaldi has shrunk to 14 points. The Brazilian former Formula One world champion and his Penske-Chevrolet teammate, Tracy, a native of Toronto, are very much the men in form.

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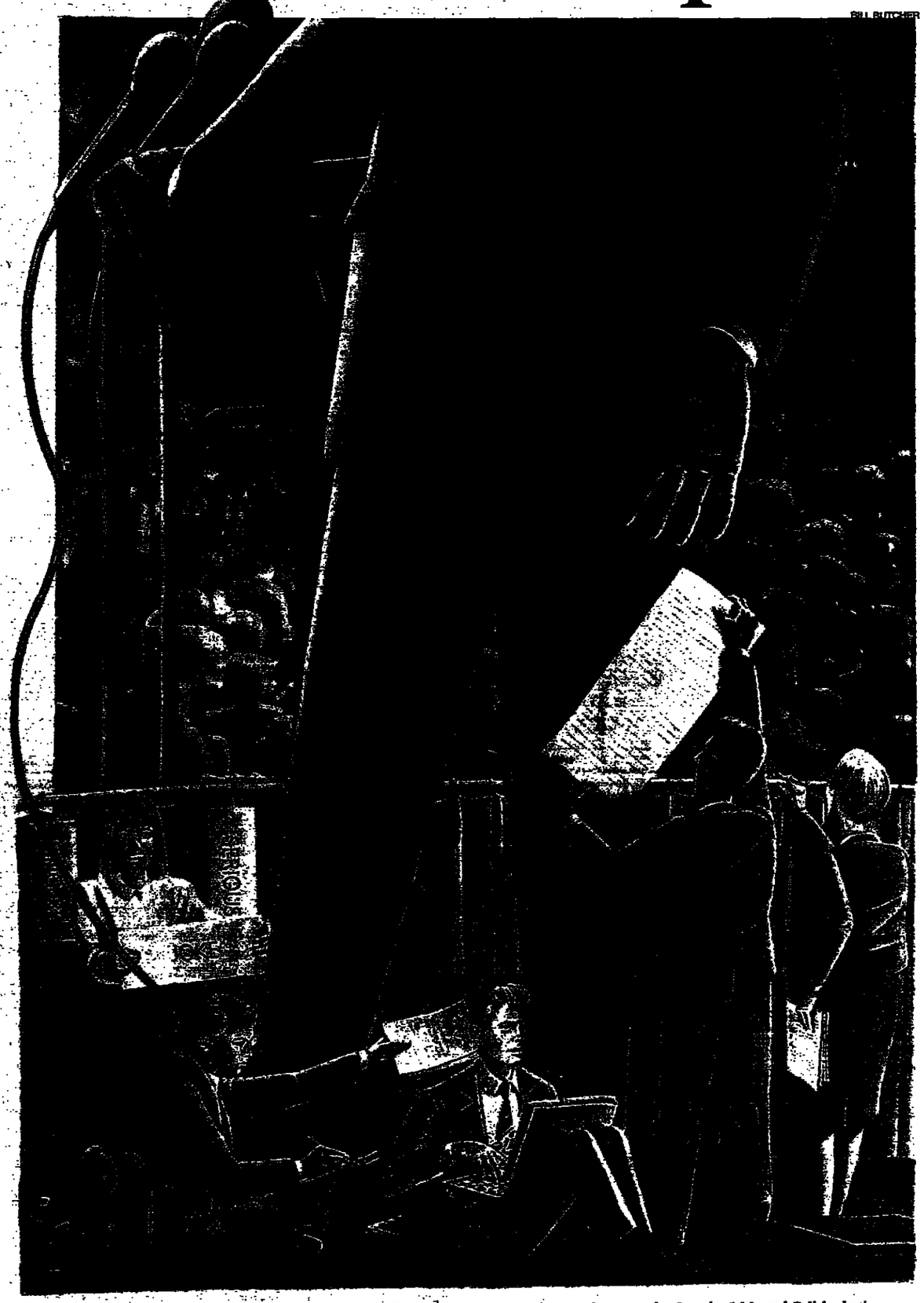
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Generation X: the power seekers

Twentysomethings have confounded their detractors. Alice Thomson, 26, charts the rise of a ruling class



BILL BUTCHER

Pity the twentysomethings. They were babies in the 1960s while their mothers were running bra-less and barefoot. They were children in the 1970s while their elder siblings stuck safety pins through their noses. They were students in the 1980s, poor at a moment when poverty was a crime. And in the 1990s, when raves, acid and Ecstasy define youth culture, the last computer-illiterate generation is told that it is too old for flares and cannot dance.

But the twentysomethings are also too young to wear shoulder pads. Their wardrobes are 1990s schizophrenic rather than 1980s capsule: a pair of PVC trousers, a little suit, dungarees, skinny ribs, an ethnic waistcoat and sagging leggings. They are Gap, Häagen Dazs, rucksacks and Doc Marten's, climbing on to every bandwagon but never starting their own. Perhaps they are the first generation to have straight teeth and the last generation to smoke.

In America, *Time* magazine termed them "the lost generation", because they lacked a formative group experience or driving motivational engine, and the concept has made a best-seller out of *Generation X* by Douglas Coupland. In Britain, it seems as if *someone has pushed the pause* button on the 1990s children.

Waiting for the end of the recession, they worry that they might be too old when it arrives. They try to ignore the handful of twentysomething celebrities who have not hung around, such as Darcey Bussell, 24, Naomi Campbell, 23, Damon Hill, 30, and Suede, or young entrepreneurs such as Richard and David Darling, aged 25 and 27, who have built up a software empire with a turnover of £8 million.

Mike Leigh's new film, *Naked*, is about a twentysomething, Johnny, down from Manchester and on his uppers (whereas in the 1970s he would have been taking uppers). "He is a cold desperate fish but he cares," goes the blurb.

Commentators such as Daisy Waugh, 26, writing in *Harpers & Queen* this month, collaborate in propagating this image. "The words ambition, materialism, hedonism and above all success have been banished from our vocabulary, and many young people have *found themselves* at a bit of a loss." Last week her father, Auberon Waugh, agreed in *The Spectator*. "For the most part they are neither left-wing nor right-wing but goofily conformist."

But by concentrating on the majority, all these commentators have ignored the minority. They have become so absorbed in the theme of twentysomething inertia that they haven't noticed that some of these cold, desperate fish have in fact infiltrated the establishment, and are beginning to shape it. Creativity, ideas and talents are not being altogether wasted: a whole generation is not rotting on the vine. This generation may lack *Angst*, but at least it has soul.

Some are lurking in law, accountancy and industry, acquiring the qualifications needed to survive the recession. Others have gone into relief organisations; charities have stopped selling ball tickets to top graduates and started offering them jobs.

Despite Julie Burchill's claim that: "It would be too wounding to our cultural vanity to have to admit what is patently obvious, that there is no young British pop, poetry or drama", brave twentysomethings have ignored her. British writers do not have the hard-edged experience and dialogue of their American brat-pack counterparts — nor their publishers' advances — but they are more eclectic, perverse and diverse. Among Granta's best British writers under 40, A.L. Kennedy is only 28. William Dalrymple, also 28, has already made his mark in travel writing with *In Xanadu*.

And in the theatre? Peter Hall and Trevor Nunn made their reputations within a couple of years of leaving university, and the glam young directors who surfaced in the 1980s are part of the scenery: Kenneth Branagh, 32, has already published the first volume of his autobiography and is on the way to a knighthood. Now there is a more individualistic, ascetic streak. Katie Mitchell, 28, already working as a director with the Royal Shakespeare Company, says: "We're well represented but we're idiosyncratic." Sam Mendes, 29, with a first in English at Cambridge and a cricket blue, *runs the revamped* Donmar Warehouse and has been called "disgustingly talented" by Dame Judi Dench.

The risk-takers *in the* marketplace want a fast-track to power. Andrew Roberts, 30, historian, journalist and political commentator, says: "I kicked *off in the City* — the whole cohort went into banking. In the 1990s, I was offered a job in the Foreign Office, but it didn't fit with the *Zeitgeist*. Now the media is the cool and sexy thing to be in. Politics is another option. Unlike the last generation, we won't have tennis courts or be able to pay for our children's education, but we want more subtle power."

Tess Stimson, 27, who today marries television newsman Brent Sadler, has cannibalised the lives of her thrusting twentysomething friends for her début blockbuster, *Hard News*. The fiction, starring tough reporter Christie Bradley, includes an encounter with a character called Andrew Roberts in Annabel's, has a hero called David Cameron (of whose real-life model, more later), and has a supporting cast that includes a Hardman who bears an unsurprising resemblance to Robert Hardman, 27, royal correspondent and political sketch writer for *The Daily Telegraph*.

"Nothing gave Christie a greater buzz than going live on air. For those few eternal, brief minutes, everything depended on her. Millions of viewers would be hanging on her every word, relying on her eyes and ears and mind to interpret a scene . . . Just thinking about it gave her a rush of adrenalin that was better than sex."

If youth is oppositional, it should be natural for young people to search for an alternative to the status quo. In fact, they tend to go into Tory politics as a fast-track substitute for the Civil Service. There is no question of real spiritual commitment; they are impelled by an attraction to power.

Since 1979, a clear path has opened out as aspirants join Conservative Central Office, then work as advisers for ministers and jump directly into the House of Commons. Michael Portillo is the best-known alumnus, and the group was christened the Blobbies by the press during the Newbury by-election.

David Cameron, 27, is current class leader and, like many, was at Eton and Oxford. (Young politicos from the state system prefer John Major's quiet-rise technique, and take lower profile jobs.) He moved from briefing the prime minister at *PM's questions to being* special adviser to Norman Lamont. In this position, from the election to the demise of his boss, he played a key role in policy *making*. After Mr Lamont's aggrieved departure for the back benches, Mr Cameron was wooed by Michael Howard at the Home Office.

One of the Blobbies' obligations is to defend their ministers at drinks parties. Nobody does this so well as *Dominic Lochnis*, 25, special adviser to Peter Brooke, friend to David Cameron, Eton, Oxford, *The Daily Telegraph*. "When I went to Oxford, students were loud, *heavy drinkers trashing curry* houses. By the time I left, they were lounging around smoking dope, more open-minded. This generation exudes an air of responsibility, but I don't think there is any visionary feel or coherent philosophy. Most are critics rather than achievers. They hate the publicity that surrounds politics now and have opted for behind-the-scenes power in the media. But the young in politics have so much influence. I am on the cutting edge and that is exciting. You don't have to wait years for results."

Others who stumbled into Conservative Central Office at 4am during the 1992 election include Rachel Whetstone, 25, who feeds ministers lines before they go on television and helps young MPs to make a name for themselves attacking the Opposition. Unlike the cliché of blue-rinse, jam-making Tory women, she is thin, wears designer clothes and can hold her own in any political argument.

Laura Adshead, 26, "Miss Maastricht" and Central Office's European expert, friend of Andrew Roberts and David Cameron, forges links with international Blobbies. Not least of these is Edward Llewellyn, 27, political adviser to Chris Patten in Hong Kong and also a graduate of the Eton-Oxford-CCO production line.

Steve Hilton, 23, the only Armani suit wearer of this group, was one of the few brave enough to leave, and is now at Saatchi's under a former Tory minister, working on the Conservative party's advertising, advising Boris Yeltsin on the referendum, and helping to sway the Irish and Polish election campaigns. "If you are good at something, nobody questions your age," he says. But it is unlikely that Saatchi's would have chosen him if he were an expensive 40-year-old.

David Miliband, 27, a member of John Smith's Commission on Social Justice, agrees that a careerist politician should join the Conservative party. "The old answers are inadequate, and our generation has the chance to play with new ideas. Those sticking to the left have to believe in something. I think you have to believe that your friends will get it together again." Mr Miliband is an exception. Able left-wing graduates who, ten years ago, would have gone to work for Labour's front bench, now join the Opposition-in-exile — the television medium — on current affairs programmes such as *On The Record*. They form a group distinct from the usefully connected presenters Anastasia Cooke, 25, and Samantha Norman, 30.

For those ugly enough or Conservative enough to have to rule out television, there is Fleet Street. Ian Katz, 25, a far from ugly columnist for *The Guardian*, says: "The fact that we have no cohesive identity holds us together. But maybe other generations didn't either, it just got retrospectively attached. At the end of the 1980s, there was a desperate search for young writers on Fleet Street: newspapers weren't reaching the new generation. Young journalists are not desperate to break Watergate or uncover injustices. We just want to do well. Politics is the only alternative. I am just worried that there will be a backlash, with people saying thirtysomethings could do this just as well."

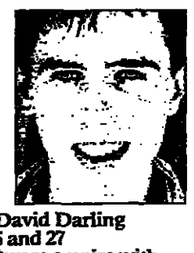
TWENTYSOMETHINGS TO WATCH

Supposedly faceless and forgotten, given the title Generation X, they didn't scream and shout, *they just arrived. These children flower in the shadow of* power, and they aim to steal the light



Darcey Bussell
Age: 24
Principal dancer, Royal Ballet





Richard and David Darling
Age: 25 and 27
Founders of a software empire with a turnover of £8 million



Daisy Waugh
Age: 26
Writer propagating *the "lost" image*



Katie Mitchell
Age: 28
Director with *the RSC*



William Dalrymple
Age: 28
Made his mark *with In Xanadu*



Tess Stimson
Age: 27
Made hard news with blockbuster



David Cameron
Age: 27
Political whiz-kid



Dominic Loehnis
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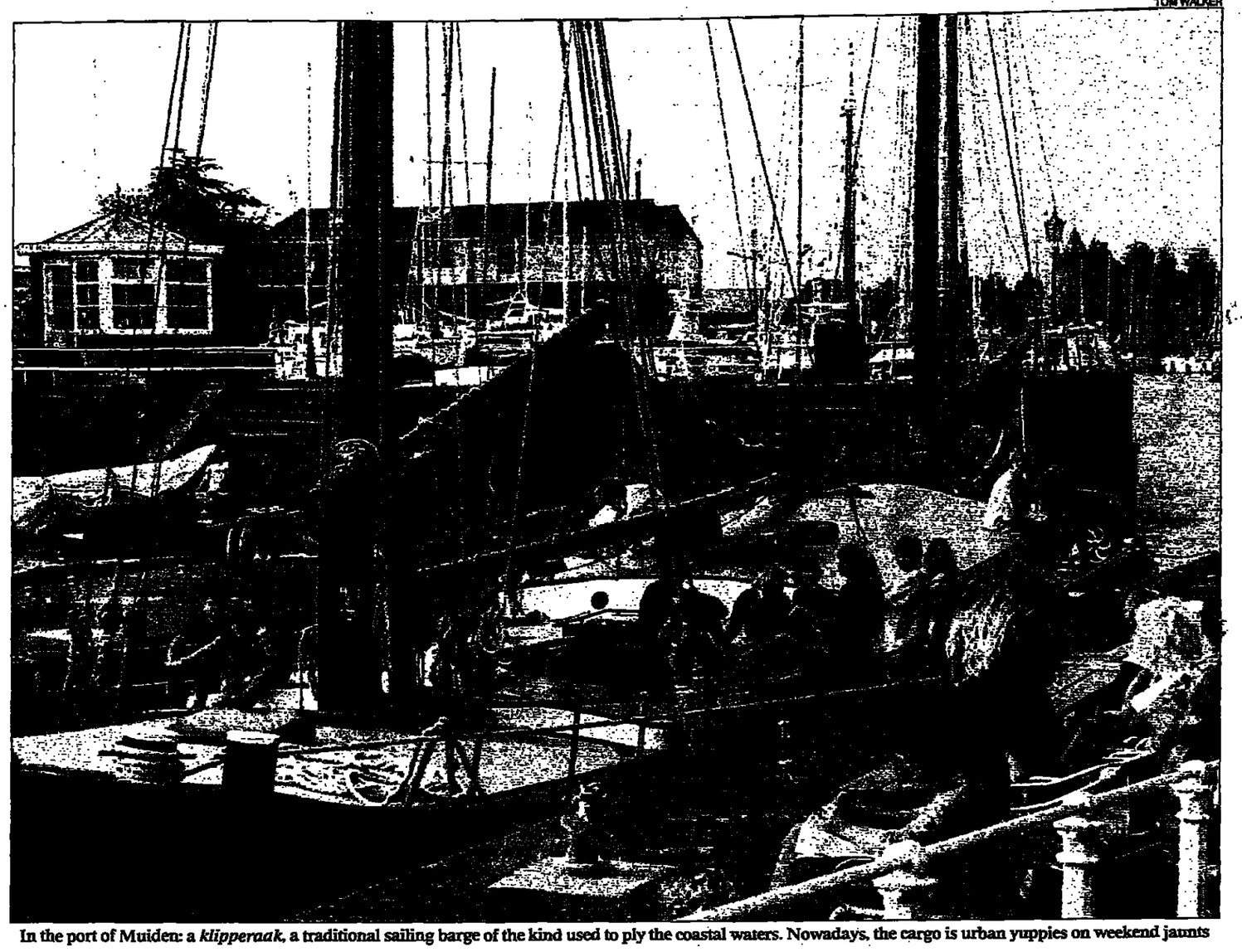
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In the port of Muiden: a *klipperaak*, a traditional sailing barge of the kind used to ply the coastal waters. Nowadays, the cargo is urban yuppies on weekend jaunts

Somewhere over the yardarm

Tom Walker sails the IJsselmeer on a weekend of playing at Jolly Jack Tar

I am on my hands and knees, sloshing around in murky, soapy-grey water, ramming one of those suction-rubber devices over a drainage outlet. More gunge seems to be coming up through the drain than going down it.

Ah, the joys of a weekend on the high seas. The unaccustomed always envisage sailing as lots of manful tugging on ropes, clinging on for dear life through crashing towers of spray and other untold heroics. The reality, of course, is this: grubbing around with a bit of rubber on the end of a pole in a desperate attempt not to fall out with the 20 people you are going to be living with in close confinement for the next two days.

There have already been several impatient twists on the door handle: do I sneak out, hoping not to be spotted, leaving an inch of grimy water for the next contestant with the shower, or do I admit that I have jammed the boat's plumbing before we have even left harbour?

The boat in question is a *klipperaak*, one of the traditional sailing barges that have plied the Dutch coastal waters for more than a century. One of the principal cargoes of years gone by was manure, taken from Amsterdam to the provinces east and north. But nowadays the old seadogs at the helm have forsaken muck for urban yuppies: it is perhaps best not to ask Jos, the fearsome skipper of the *Phoenix*, for his views on which cargo was better company.

Sailing on the IJsselmeer, the Dutch inland sea that used to be the Zuider Zee, is big business these days. The lake not only has to cope with thousands of Dutch enthusiasts, but Germans, Belgians and French, too. Hence by midday on Saturday the horizon is a chaotic tangle of masts and sails, not that anyone is going anywhere very fast in the scarcely perceptible breeze.

It has not always been like this, and many Dutch sailors are quietly hoping the Germans may abandon the IJsselmeer in favour of some of the inland lakes now being rediscovered in the former East Germany.

Despite the frequent near-collisions, it is unlikely that any sea epics will ever be filmed here. The very reason the Zuider Zee was dammed in 1932 was to stop the prevailing northwesterly wind funnelling too much water into the sea, causing disastrous flooding within Holland. Since then the IJsselmeer has been a calmer place, and one that is shrinking, thanks to occasional outbreaks of polder-building.

The sun is out, and before them Jos and his partner Hank have the familiar sight of 20 young urbanites sleeping, reading and quaffing Heineken. Every hour or so we are prodded into action, and with great aplomb tug on the wrong rope or produce fiendishly intricate knots with a lifespan of about five minutes. We drift by a naked Dutch windsurfer, which causes a ripple of excitement and much grabbing of binoculars among the female contingent, and then head for the small port of Muiden for the night.

Coming into dock is a rather more serious business, and the Heineken bottles have to be left while the *Phoenix* is guided gently through lock gates. Jos is well aware that, at 25 metres and 90 tons, his £100,000 investment is not entirely in safe hands. It is a bright, hot evening, and hundreds watch from the pavement cafés as the *Phoenix* waits for the swing bridge to let us squeeze into our berth.

Although just 15 minutes by car from Amsterdam, Muiden is a sleepy town, with a restored 13th-century castle looking out over the water. After supper in the galley, the guitar and Irish coffees are brought out, and even the old sea dog Jos is found to be singing along. Bed and oblivion follow.

The next day, Sunday, it is the same in reverse, and we sail back to our base at Hoorn, about 20 miles north of Amsterdam. The only problem is that now what little wind there is is against us, and Hoorn suddenly seems a long way off. And this just as we are almost getting conversant with the *Phoenix*'s rigging, knowing just where to stand in a rather hesitant fashion as Jos yells the commands and the boat's massive boom swings us on to a new tack. But criss-crossing the oncoming breeze can only get the boat so far, and reluctantly Jos and Hank switch the engine on.

We arrive back at Hoorn at five o'clock on Sunday, having had the best part of two days on board. Jos seems genuinely sorry to see us leave. For my part I have happily to report that a bathroom crisis was avoided quite soon after leaving port; when the boat listed to one side, the water seeped down another drainage hole. Not that I tried having another shower.

Weighing anchor



☐ Details of IJsselmeer sailing holidays are available from the two major booking companies: Zeilvaart, in Enkhuizen (010 31 2280 12424), and Hollands Glorie (which has the *Phoenix* on its books) in Rotterdam (010 31 1041 14944). Booking for a large group is best made well in advance. For a June sailing, we booked in January. But there are usually cancellations.

☐ Bring clothes for all weather conditions — even on a sunny day, the IJsselmeer can be cold. Include a waterproof.

☐ The cost of a weekend's sailing came to about £50 per person for our group of 20. The boats are self-catering.

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Key to comfort: the Beaufort Hotel, Knightsbridge, London

The mark of a jaded traveller is someone who can enter a hotel room without searching greedily through every drawer, cupboard and the bathroom for the little extras that distinguish a good hotel from an excellent one. On the other hand, a traveller who can leave such a room without packing the miniature sewing kits, bath caps and shower gels, and debating whether taking the monogrammed bath robe would be overstepping the mark, is a mature person indeed.

At the Beaufort Hotel, one's conscience is tested to the full. In each of the 28 rooms decanters of brandy, jars of shortbread and displays of chocolates are waiting to be plundered; an umbrella and a shoe-polishing kit are begging to be taken home. But the keenest test of greed is the well-stocked bar in the drawing-room, to which guests are invited to help themselves.

Luckily for Diana Wallis, the hotel's proprietor, the clientele is probably too sophisticated to over-indulge. A glance at the visitors' book reveals a large number of guests from the United States and the better-heeled European countries. And the hotel's position — in a tree-lined square in Knightsbridge, minutes away from Harrods, Harvey Nichols, Hyde Park and the museums of South Kensington — means visitors are more likely to be out exploring London than holed up in the bar.

The Beaufort aims to create the intimate atmosphere of a comfortable private home with the facilities of a big hotel chain. Check-in formalities are minimal and guests are given a key to the hotel's front door so that they can come and go as they please. Each room is beautifully and individually decorated in pastel colours, with plenty of fresh flowers; a perfect setting for a romantic weekend. For business people, there is an office with fax, telex and car-booking facilities.

The hotel does not have a restaurant, but Ms Wallis has written an guide to places to eat which appraises some of London's best-known names, their prices and atmosphere.

For guests who want to stay in, the hotel provides a basic supper of soup and sandwiches, and has a good selection of videos. I spent a happy evening in my room with a bottle of champagne, enjoying the very silly film, *Trading Places*. The bed was the most comfortable I have slept in.

A breakfast of croissants, hot rolls, coffee and fresh orange juice is brought to the room. Delicious as it was, I wonder if foreign visitors expect, and would enjoy, the option of a traditional fry-up. After all, they can work it off at the swimming pool, gym and Jacuzzi of a nearby health club, of which they receive automatic membership.

JULIA LLEWELLYN SMITH

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Will kissing a frog make my dream Prince come true?



SCENE 1: Once upon a time there was a handsome young Prince, but unlike his fairy-tale cousins this one is turning out to be a real pain in the neck. Prince is our youngest carthorse and, although he has been through nursery school and learnt to wear his harness and pull loads, he is finding that his more mature years mean I am demanding more of him. He does not like it one bit.

It takes time and effort to school a young horse for farmwork, especially when you are as short on experience as I am, but I thought we were getting on fine. He has pulled the heavy, two-horse ribbed-roller alongside Blue without any quarrel; he has even done half a day's sweaty work on the cultivator earlier this season and, although puffed, seemed to be enjoying his work. He has hauled harrows and drilled corn. But no longer.

Prince will pull any trick in the book to avoid pulling any heavy load if he possibly can. He will rear, then plunge, and will attempt the carthorse's ultimate sanction, which is to lie down and refuse to budge. This simply will not do. We are fond of our horses here, but they are not pets, and in return for their keep they must work.



Prince is a dear chap with as fine and friendly a face as I have seen on a Suffolk Punch, but we can carry no passengers. I am putting him back into the hands of experts and hope that our farmyard fairy-tale has a happy ending.

SCENE 2: My wife let out a cry from the kitchen. There was no terror in it, merely surprise. "It's a frog," she cried. "There's a frog in the kitchen!" We have been having the house painted lately and windows and doors have been open at all hours, so the lines of demarcation between in and out have become blurred. This is why we have a vole nesting behind the fridge and bumble bees in the pantry.

She scooped up the frog and carried it through for inspection. As she did so, it struck me that perhaps this was some kind of sign; a pointer to the direction I should be taking to solve all my problems with young Prince, which were weighing heavily on my mind at the time.

The reason is because, as any old horseman from round here will tell you, the frog has magical properties which, if skilfully extracted, can give men supreme equine control.



If this is all sounding a little far-fetched, let me add to the melodrama by telling you that as I sat staring into the frog's wide eyes, the rays of the full moon were beaming down on me. Driven by some inexplicable force, I dived towards the shelves containing the aged farming tomes and there, in a superb work of oral history collected by the late George Ewart Evans, was confirmation of the frog's potency — and the recipe for extracting it. It read as follows:

After you have caught the frog, kill it and hang it on a blackthorn twig to dry. You then take it down and clean it by putting it in an ant hill; the ants pick up all the flesh and leave the bones. Take the bones and place them in the water of a fast-running stream by the light of the full moon (we have all the ingredients so far). One bone will appear to float in a different direction to all the others. This is the famed frogsbone. This potent bone then has to be cured in "umpteen different things", so the book evasively says, dried and then placed in the pocket until required for use.

It is thought that the potency of the bone lay not so much in the fact that it came from a persecuted frog but rather in the powerful nature of the potions used in the curing. From what I have read and occasionally been told guardedly by older men, horsemen were liberal users of everything from arsenic to opium if they thought it would give them the edge over the next man when it came to controlling a difficult horse.

SCENE 3 (and possibly the finale): I am now sitting wondering what to do next. I have the option of nobbling the poor frog and spending several days searching for ant hills followed by hours in a damp stream, with no guarantee of success. On the other hand, assuming that with the help of the fairies wishes can sometimes come true, should I now bravely kiss the frog in the hope that, if not he, the wayward carthorse will turn into a well-behaved and willing Prince?

At the moment, it is my dearest wish that Prince and I should live happily ever after.

Trading massage for mandolin lessons

Edward Russell-Walling reports on the people who prefer to pay in kind

It is the day after the celebrated parliamentary by-election, and Newbury has stepped back into line as just another southern country town. Val Oldaker has been up all night counting ballot papers, but can still sound enthusiastic as she describes a less-publicised Newbury phenomenon: the town's barter trading scheme.

The scheme may not match constituency politics in the number of townspeople it has aroused, but it probably affects the lives of its participants more directly. It is rooted in human skills and labour, a world in which people can exchange, say, two hours' gardening for a Shiatsu massage session, or car repairs for the hire of a band called The Hat Shakers.

Mrs Oldaker is "alternative" in outlook, as the Green Party sticker in her front window proclaims. So are her friends, who tend to do things for one another. On one level, barter simply formalises these relationships. "But it has also brought in other people," she says. "And that's when it begins to get exciting."

Mrs Oldaker has lived in Newbury, Berkshire, since 1987, when her husband was transferred there by his employer, Thames Water. A former computer trainer, she first encountered the barter idea at last year's Glastonbury Festival, where she worked on the Green Party stand. The system being promoted was based on a Canadian model called the Local Exchange Trading System (Lets).

Traditional barter may be appealing but it is impractical: anyone who wants to pay for fruit and veg by giving piano lessons is obliged to find a gardener with musical ambitions. Lets, which has inspired a number of UK schemes, makes the theory work by introducing a local exchange and a "currency". By offering their goods and services through the exchange, members receive credits to spend on whatever else is available in the system.

Mrs Oldaker was so taken with the possibilities that she wrote to the local newspaper announcing her intention to float a Lets scheme.

"People are generally very suspicious of barter," she says, "and only 20 people turned up at the launch meeting. But 18 of them joined."

A year later, membership has grown to 55, although, as members comprise households rather than individuals, this represents anything up to 150 people. They socialise regularly, for enjoyment and to encourage trade. "You are more likely to use the system to hire baby-sitters if you have met them," Mrs Oldaker says.

Those who join list what skills or goods they can offer and what they want in return. Mrs Oldaker says that most people have more useful talents than they may think. "One man who was out of work said he hadn't any skills anyone would want. Then he read in the list that someone needed mandolin lessons. 'Oh, I can do that,' he said."

Members receive a monthly trading list, detailing what is on offer. The list has featured goods such as food and baking, and homemade beer and wine. But services advertised outweigh goods. Animal care, baby-sitting, gardening, shopping and house-cleaning are the most popular services. Car hire with driver, hairdressing, and lessons in anything from Japanese and juggling to spinning and desktop publishing are offered. So, too, are bookkeeping, interior design and plumbing.

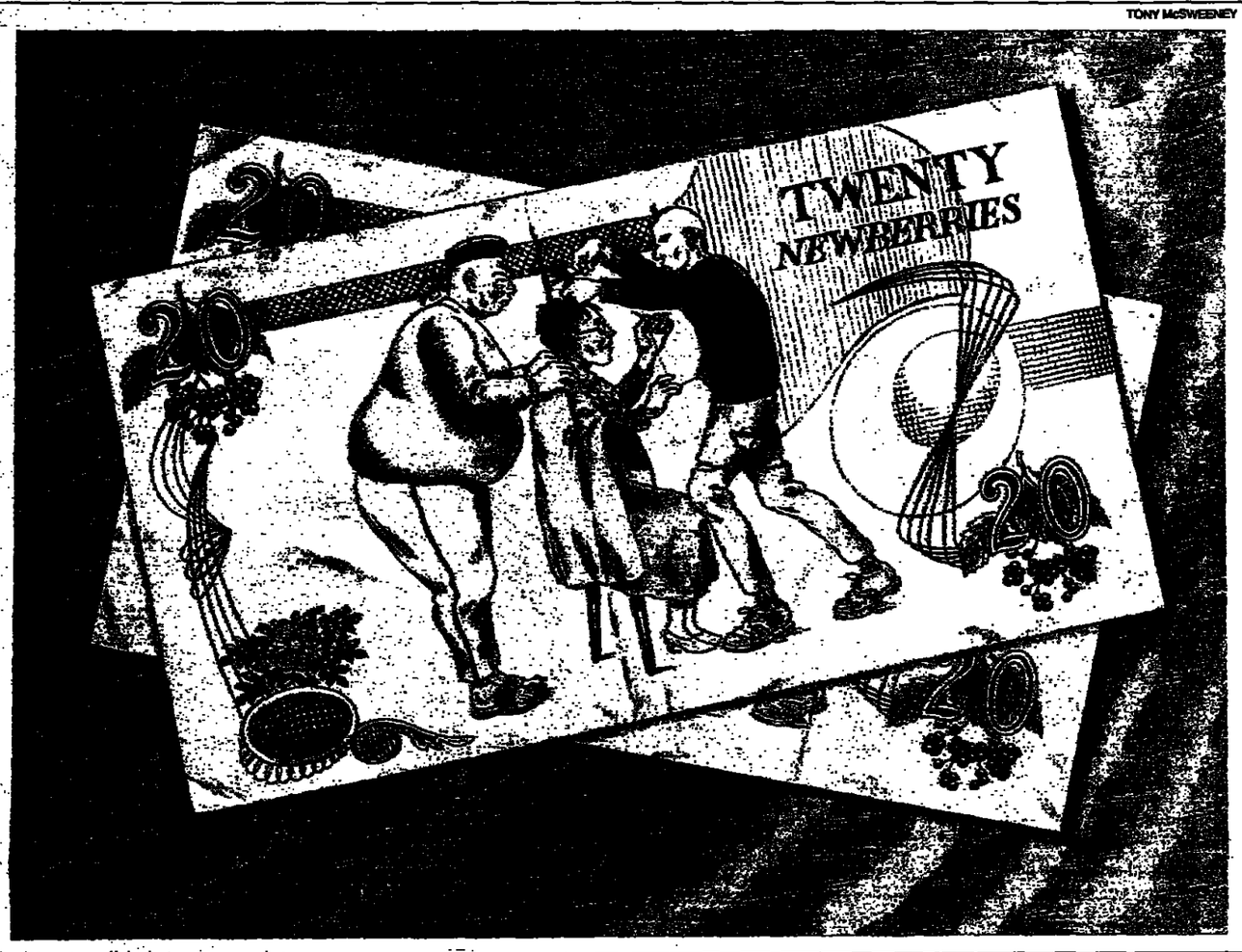
There is an eclectic assortment of alternative health treatments to choose from, alongside use of an 8ft-long flatbed pedal bike for transporting goods, a "waiting in for gasman" service, and hedge trimmer hire. One member with Parkinson's disease, who is no longer able to do any heavy digging on his allotment, sells massages and buys digging.

Everything is priced in units of currency called NewBerries, NB for short or, to the less formal, "fruities". People are free to charge what they like, but the convention is between 20 and 30 NB per hour of work involved, occasionally with a cash element, depending on skills and cost of materials.

A special chequebook is used for payments and transactions are logged by Mrs Oldaker. Members start off with a zero NB balance which, as they buy or sell, becomes either in credit or debt. Monthly balances are circulated along with the trading list, and this openness helps to ensure that the system is not abused.

Mrs Oldaker hopes to extend the scheme to include local traders, to make it, as she says, "more mainstream". But for now "members are simply doing what they would probably do for each other in a small village", she says.

TONY McSWEENEY





Gardens to visit

☐ **Hampshire:** *Longstock Park water gardens, three miles north of Stockbridge*
About three acres of gardens include a wide variety of acid-loving trees and shrubs. Open tomorrow, 2-4.30pm, to raise money for the Alzheimer's Disease Society. Adult £1.50, child 50p.

☐ **Essex:** *Debden open gardens weekend and flower festival, three miles south of Saffron Walden.*
Eighteen village gardens, ranging from several acres to small cottage gardens. Open today and tomorrow, 2.30-6pm, to raise £35,000 for the church. Tickets (adult £3, concessions £2.50, children under 14 free) give access to all the gardens.

THERESA BUCK

Feather report

A flash of green on the water

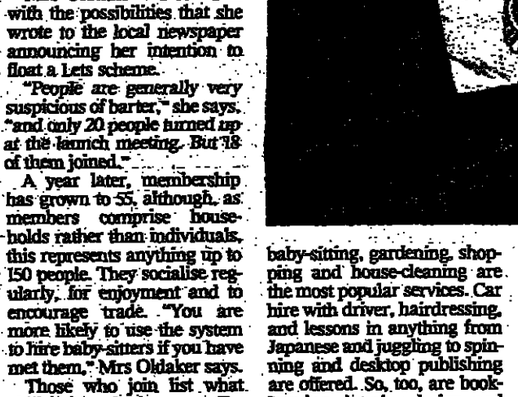
Coming suddenly on a lonely pool on moor or farmland, you may be surprised in these July days to see a black and white bird fly up with a loud, piping cry. The white is on the bird's rump, which makes it look like a large, long-winged house martin. You have stumbled across one of the first autumn migrants, a green sandpiper.

Not many birds are on the move yet, but green sandpipers generally lead the great flight south. They summer in wet woods in the northeastern parts of Europe — Sweden, Finland, Russia. Most wading birds nest on the ground, but these have the surprising habit of using old thrushes' nests in alder trees.

I was watching three of them feeding together in a muddy pool in Hertfordshire last week, all of them wading up to their stomachs. Oddly enough, although they seem quite dramatically black and white when they go up, they look brown when you get a good view of them.

Why are they called "green"? I saw the answer to that as the sun caught their plumage from time to time at different angles: they had a distinctly green sheen. When their legs are visible, these can be seen to be green, too.

There are other intimations of the migrations to come. Curlews are appearing on the estuaries as they descend from the moors, and lapwings are beginning to shift about all over Europe. Meanwhile, cuckoos are disappearing silently from woods and fields.



Squatter: the green sandpiper uses old thrushes' nests

However, most of the smaller summer visitors are still around their nesting places. Slowly the parents weary of providing for their offspring, and the offspring weary of begging; but they all stay in a group, foraging together.

The most noticeable family parties just now, if your ears are sharp, are the spotted flycatchers. In many gardens and parks they are calling with sharp, penetrating calls in the dark crowns of the trees. Looking up, you start noticing quick movements, and after a moment or two you get a clear glimpse of a small brown bird with silvery underparts perched on a twig.

Young blackbirds are still pestering their parents, hopping or flying after them with gurgling squeaks. Blue tit and great tit families are joining up, and by the autumn there will be large flocks of tits, nuthatches and tree-creepers travelling round the woods.

One place which is a particular magnet for different species at present is a large puddle. During the hot spell, I sat down, half-concealed, near one on a woodland path. Titmice kept swooping over it from one side to the other, but a blackbird was the first to settle and walk into the water. It kept dipping its head forward so that its shoulders touched the water, then shivered its wings so that the drops flew all over its upper parts.

Three young blue tits suddenly landed all together at the edge of the puddle. They did not venture beyond the stones and debris in the shallows, but they managed to give themselves a quick bath before all flying nervously away.

It was clear how much birds need to wash their dusty feathers on hot, dry days. Those readers who help birds to survive a cold spell in winter by putting out food for them can do equally good service by providing a shallow vessel with water for them to bathe in now.

DERWENT MAY

● **What's about:** *Birders — wood pigeons now sitting on their eggs. Twitchers — lesser crested tern, Southead, Norfolk; Caspian tern, Hickling, Norfolk; pectoral sandpiper on Teesside, Cleveland. Details from Birdline, 0898 700222. Calls cost 48p a minute peak rate, 36p a minute at all other times.*

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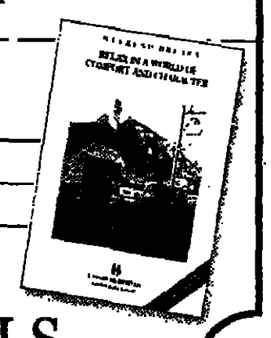
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RESTAURANT WATCH

● News about eating out — and a special offer

CAJUN NIGHTS
Mum's Café
16 All Saints Road, London W11 (071-229 5043)
Alicia Zervigon, from New Orleans, claims that she brings real Cajun cooking to London at weekends in what is normally Elaine Dowarris's Caribbean place in Notting Hill. *Robin Young writes.* Miss Zervigon takes over from 7pm to 11pm on Saturdays and from brunch to supper, 11am-11pm, on Sundays. During the week, opening hours are 1-11pm. Reckon on up to £17.50 to cover three courses and drink (BYO, £2 corkage), Caribbean or Cajun.

LOCALS' OWN
The Harrow Inn
Little Bedwyn, Marlborough, Wiltshire (0672 870871)
About 70 locals formed a company to re-open the Harrow, and now Sean and Louize Juniper, installed as chef-managers, provide first-rate pub food. The blackboard dinner menu changes fortnightly, "following whim and the market". There are also bar lunches and suppers, and an ever-changing selection of real ales. Reckon £15 a head for a three-course dinner without wine, £20 or so with. Food noon-2pm and 7.30-9pm, *Wednesday to Saturday.* A la carte lunch Sunday noon-2pm. Bar snacks only Tuesday. No food service Monday.

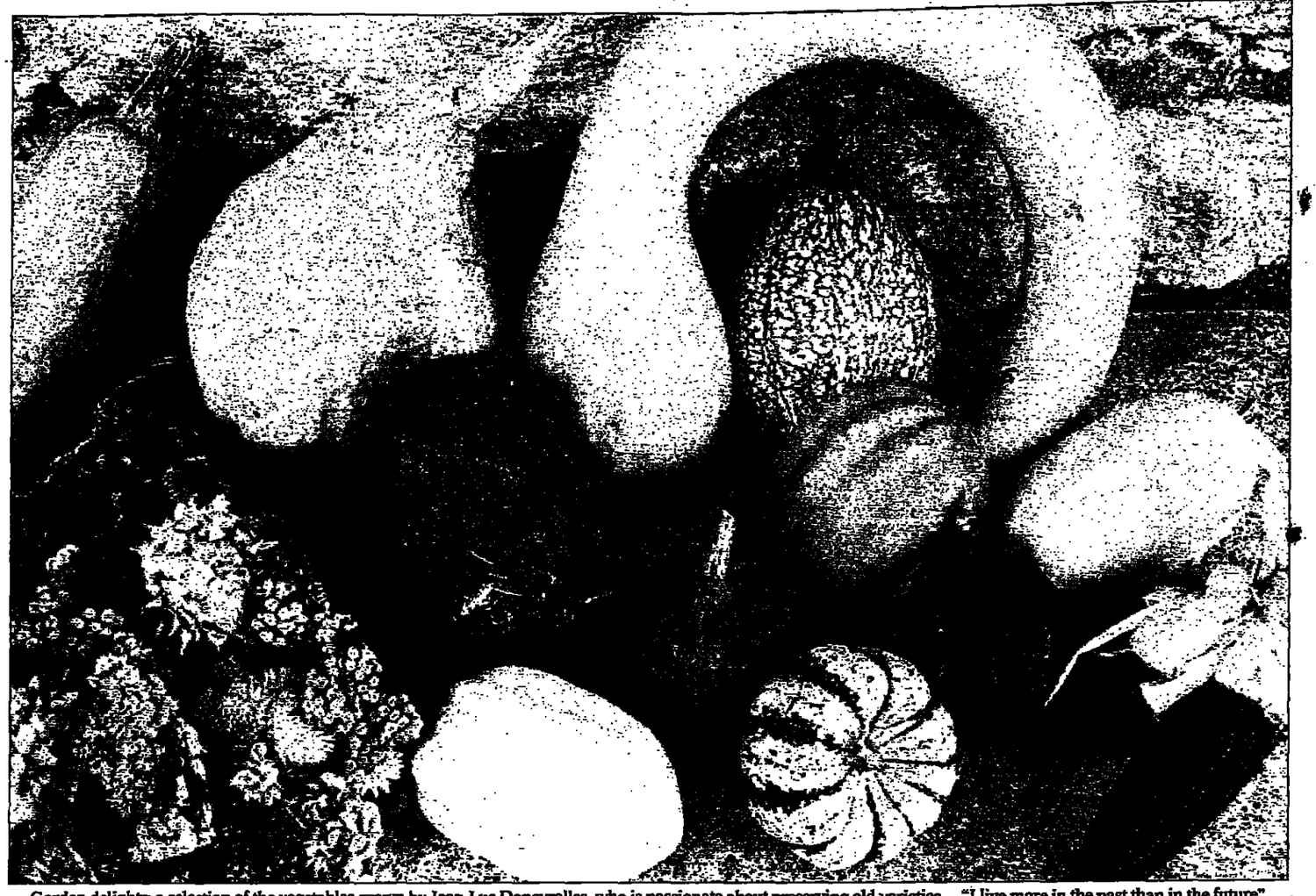
SPECIAL OFFER
Mr Underhill's
Stonham, Suffolk (on A140) (0449 711206)
Until August 7, Chris and Judy Bradley offer *Times* readers a free large glass of *grand cru* champagne, and a voucher for 20 per cent off the bill for a meal taken between August 7 and October 7. Just mention "*Times* Watch". Dinner, Tuesday to Saturday, 7.30-8.45pm, £25; Sunday lunch, 12.30-1.45pm, £19.95.

DEAR DEPARTED
I regret to announce the closure of L'Arlequin, Christian Delteil's Michelin-starred restaurant in Queenstown Road, Battersea, London. A *few years ago it was so* successful it doubled in size. Now it is for sale, and M Delteil *is open to offers.* Also gone: Martin's in Baker Street, whose site may attract interest for a future brasserie. In King's Norton, Birmingham, the modern, no-expense-spared Norton Place hotel and its conference centre cease trading from July 31, intended to become a commercial/office business park. "Negotiations are in hand to lease the Lombard Room restaurant, ensuring its future as one of the city's premier eating venues." Recession lives. Eat up!

Cultivating the riches of the earth

In the first of a series of extracts from his new book, **Quentin Crewe** celebrates French food

JOHN BRUNTON



Garden delights: a selection of the vegetables grown by Jean-Luc Daneyrolles, who is passionate about preserving old varieties — "I live more in the past than in the future"

Many top chefs, such as Marc Meneau and Pierre Gleize, have their own vegetable *gardens. Michel Bras is so fascinated* by vegetables that he showed me a list of nearly 200 different kinds that he likes to work with. Bernard Loiseau, the newest of the Michelin three-star restaurateurs, even has a vegetarian menu.

Every Saturday morning, down a narrow side-street at the market in Apt in the Vaucluse region in southern France, Jean-Luc Daneyrolles, a good-looking young man, has a stall at which he sells the *unusual vegetables and fruit that* he grows on a plot of land he rents about five miles outside the town.

Strange curling gourds, red, orange, yellow and white tomatoes, physalis or artichokes (despised by the French because they were often the only vegetable to be had during the second world war), black potatoes with violet flesh, yellow beetroot, parsnips, rare parsleys, purple basil, even rhubarb, which most French people have never heard of.

M Daneyrolles is something of a botanist, knowing the history of many of the vegetables he grows: for instance, that Cape gooseberries came originally from Peru, not, as many imagine, from South Africa. There is a crusading aspect to his labours: "I want to see that the old vegetables that many people have forgotten are not lost forever." A virtually self-educated man, he grapples with Latin and foreign *names and loves the old French* names — for example, *laitue blanche paresseuse* ("lazy white lettuce"), and he has a passion for accuracy. He was much upset that in the film *Manon des Sources* the wrong kind of marrow was used.

His interests are diverse, but mostly concerned with the past: "I live more in the past than in the future." He is proud of his bit of land, which he tends with care, believing, for instance, that ploughing disturbs the soil.

Of necessity, M Daneyrolles sells some of his produce to restaurants, "although I am not sure that they treat them with the respect they deserve. Nor were we happy that any restaurants in the gastronomic desert round Apt were worthy."

Given that many restaurateurs grow their own vegetables and that others buy only what they like the look of in markets, it was hard to find a supplier of the sort that we discovered for other kinds of produce.

However, a little way out of Quarré-les-Tombes, in the Morvan mountains, we came to a farm that is also a market garden. Gerard Maternaud is a stocky, middle-aged man with a strikingly young face. The farm belonged originally to his great-grandparents. Traditionally, they kept a herd of Charollais cattle, but when M *Maternaud took over in 1972, he* found that producing beef was no longer economic.

He decided to diversify and started to grow strawberries, because he found that they come late in his area. The French are very keen on micro-climates. He gets more rain than farmers only three miles away. The granite soil, very different from that of the beech woods we passed through on the way from Quarré-les-Tombes, can also make as much as 15 days *difference in the ripening of his* berries: moreover, the natural potassium gives them more taste.

From this modest beginning, M Maternaud has built up a thriving concern as both a grower and a wholesaler, dealing in fruit, flowers, vegetables, and even Christmas trees. His greatest pride is the 20 acres on which he grows his vegetables — carrots, lettuce, asparagus, cauliflowers, white beetroot, cabbage and mushrooms.

"The most important thing is to take care of the soil; it is the land that plays the greatest part in producing fine vegetables. I nurture it in the most organic manner possible," M Maternaud says.

*He uses no chemicals, his fertilis*er being manure from his cattle. It is partly to this end, as well as for *sentiment, that he still keeps a herd* of 42 Charollais.

Everything is geared to quality. "I could grow twice as much as I do, but not so well. At the same time, one must be practical. I like tiny, young vegetables but cannot produce them in large quantities. They do not keep as well as more mature ones, so it is not economic for the producer or the customer."

While M Maternaud may not be quite so folksy as some of our other suppliers, his standards are just as high. Although he employs eight people, his is still a family business. *Apart from supervising the farm* and the growing, he goes to the market to buy produce for the wholesale side of the enterprise. His father makes the deliveries, "up to a distance of 42 miles, though not for just one bag of carrots". M Maternaud's daughter keeps the accounts.

One needs no more evidence that his produce is of the highest quality than the fact that among his regular customers are two Michelin three-star restaurateurs, Bernard Loiseau at Saulieu and Marc Meneau at St-Père-en-Vézelay.

● *Edited extract from* Foods from France *by Quentin Crewe, with photography by John Brunton (Ebury Press, £15.99).*

P. THOMAS/GAULT MILLAU



DISHPATCH

Chef: Christophe Leroy, 26.

Born: southeast France.

Restaurants: La Salle à Manger and La Table du Marché, 38 rue Georges Clemenceau, par la Place des Lices, Saint-Tropez (010 33 94 97 85 20).

Present: Has become the local hero in St-Tropez because when the hotel *where he worked ran into* financial difficulties, he bounced back to open not only, in 1992, an affordable modern, ground-floor brasserie, but also, this summer, an extremely serious and accomplished gastronomic restaurant with its own kitchens on the first floor above. Now celebrities and tourists compete to get into either. He also has his own fine food, wine and catering shop, Sucré-Salé, just down the street, where the *disappointed can buy a* consolation *pâtisserie.*

Past: Had three red *toques* and a mark of 17/20 from Gault-Millau at his former station, the Château de la Messardière. *Critics said* the hotel suffered from "*la folie des grandeurs*", but everyone unanimously hailed the chef's cooking.

Future: Popular opinion on the *presqu'île* is that Leroy will score even higher marks from Gault-Millau for La Salle, where he is his own master.

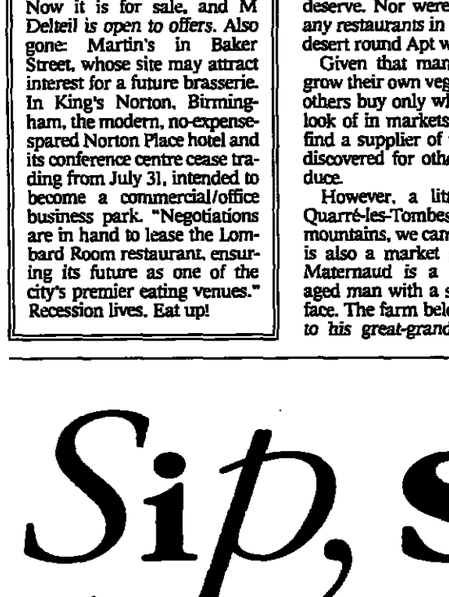
Personal: Hates, and has banned, cloche-lifting, which in *other establishments along* the Côte d'Azur has become an art form. In some places waiters now circle the table lifting cloches in rapid sequence to create a gastronomic form of the Mexican wave. Leroy says: "In La Table du Marché there is no pretension, only simple tastes and prudent pricing. I want La Salle à Manger to be like a year-round private club for regular clients who appreciate my way of cooking."

Dish: *Soupe de pommes de terre glacée aux truffes* (an iced summer soup with fresh black truffles) at FFr170 a bowl.

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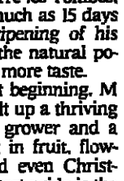
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WINES that live forever, or at least outlive our own timespan, should be in every cellar. Drinking history is the only way we can experience the past, and it is a rare pleasure on opening the most venerable bottles to recall the era from which they came.

Happily for today's wine drinkers, there are lots of wines with long lives, longer than some people think. The great, sweet white wines such as sauternes and the leading late-harvest German rieslings appear to hang on forever. Similarly, the leading fortified wines, such as madeira and port, thrive for decades. Sherry, too, manages to grow *old gracefully, though without* quite the tenacity of madeira and port.



DRY white wines, such as the vouvrays of the Loire and the top vintage wines of Champagne, are also renowned for their remarkable and surprising longevity.

Red wine, too, can age for longer than initially thought. To celebrate my father's seventieth birthday, my family opened a magnum of 1905 Latour, his birth year, which was still going strong, and on his eightieth we opened an only just tiring 1905 Mouton-Rothschild. I have no doubt *that a good first growth claret* will enhance his ninetieth in two years.

Red burgundy is not such a good bet in the longevity stakes because of the many variables in its make-up, including its wily and rather more delicate pinot noir grape. Nevertheless, I have had plenty of the Domaine de la Romanée Conti's wines in their fourth and fifth decade that were still a joy to drink.

What is clear, comparing the great vintages of the past with those of the present, is that the *ancients were built* to last. Indeed, the main claim to great*ness of any vintage, past or* present, is its ability to age well, and for a very long time. Starting as awkward, angular youths, these necessarily expensive wines were expected to take decades to soften up.



Not so many generations ago, if you were fortunate enough to inherit a good wine *cellar, the done thing was to* buy wisely and in bulk, in order to hand down a similarly perfect cellar to the *next* generation. Well-off households bought pipes of port from every good vintage, as a matter of course. The vintage wines with the greatest reputation then, as now, were the long-lasting ones. Sadly, because of modern winemaking methods, it is doubtful whether today's vintage wines will have *quite* the same graceful longevity. Squeaky-clean, new*wave wine practices all do* their bit to shorten a wine's lifespan. So, too, do today's lower acidity, less extract and tannin and more alcohol.

The good news is that there are still growers keen to give their wines the recipe for a spritely old age. Those who prune their vine buds down to *the smallest yields have a* better chance than most of creating concentrated, long-living wines, *as do vignerons* who harvest, not grub up, old vines.

Producers of sweet wines, who wait patiently for each grape to be infected by *botrytis cinerea*, or "noble rot", are also assured of their wine's great longevity. The shrivelled, mouldy, raisiny berries of a bunch infected with *botrytis cinerea* yield tiny quantities of the sweetest, most concentrated juice that produce wines with some of the greatest ageing potential.

ADRIAN BROOKS



Magnum birthday: Jane MacQuitty with her father, Bill

On the few occasions that I have been fortunate enough to taste it, a sauternes vintage *such as the burnished gold* 1921 from the peerless Château d'Yquem has still offered plenty of finesse.



SIMILARLY, a great German botrytised riesling from a top estate, such as J.J. Prum and his Wehlener Sonnenuhr vineyard, produces a rich, sweet *butterscotch-like 1953 vintage* experience that was still doing well a decade ago.

Naturally high levels of tannin, acidity and sugar all encourage wines to grow old gracefully and for longer. Of the three, high levels of acidity could well prove to be the most important. Those winemakers who take a short cut to softness by encouraging, as opposed to suppressing, a malo-lactic fermentation of their wine, where the wine's acidity is softened, do not appear to produce wines of great staying power.

Now that doctors have admitted that those who drink wine generally live longer than those who don't, perhaps the time has come for drinkers to give the wines that live forever a little more respect.

JANE MACQUITTY

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A summer homage to Catalonia

Frances Bissell relives a trip to Barcelona with a meal inspired by a winemaker

DIANA LEADBETTER





I HAVE always enjoyed the localised nature of Spanish cooking, but it can have its frustrations, as I discovered last summer. I went to Catalonia just before the Olympics to cook a British gala dinner for midsummer day in Sitges, near Barcelona. I was getting on quite well in the unfamiliar hotel kitchen and thought I would prepare a trifle, but nowhere in the hotel could I find sherry. In this part of Spain the drink is *cava*, a sparkling wine, not *fino* or *oloroso*.

As a respite from worrying about the pudding, wondering how long the Welsh lamb was going to be held up at the border at Irún, and trying to calculate when the English cheeses and wines would be released by customs at Barcelona airport, my husband Tom and I were invited into *cava* country for lunch.

It was a magical meal, served on the terrace of a beautiful *masia*, or farmhouse, down a dirt track beyond Villafranca del Penedes. We overlooked the mountains, the green valley and healthy vines. Bougainvillaea was bright against the white-washed walls and terracotta tiles. We drank crisp, cold *cava*, made by our host, Michel de Naveran.

Our entire meal was exactly what one wants to eat in summer, preferably outdoors. And it can be recreated at home without too much trouble. First, we ate *pan amb tomaquet*, grilled country bread smeared with ripe tomato, garlic and olive oil. Chilled, refreshing salads were followed by an abundant paella, then cheese and a sumptuous *crema catalana*, which is very like a *crème brûlée*.

For my Catalan meal at home I have chosen three very different dishes, all of them easy and inexpensive to make. They would be excellent for a cold buffet and benefit from being prepared a few hours in advance. Thick, chewy bread is an essential to sop up the flavoursome oily juices.

For a main course, I would serve an unusual Catalan dish called *fideua*, in which pasta forms the base. It can be made with spaghettini broken into 1-2in/2.5-5cm pieces. First, fresh squid and shellfish are fried in olive oil and put to one side. The squid ink is reserved. The pasta is lightly browned in the oils and then plenty of good, strong fish stock is added. As the liquid is absorbed the shellfish and squid ink are stirred back into the pasta to complete cooking. It is best served with a strongly flavoured, garlicky *aïoli*.

I would serve *cava* throughout the meal. The best *cavas* are much more agreeable to drink than cheap, thin champagnes. Look for Raventos i Blanc, Segura Viudas Juve y Camps and Raimat.

Many countries have similar recipes for preparing fish by frying it first, and then pouring a marinade over it while still warm. Italians cook fish *in saor*; in South America and parts of Spain, the version is called *escabeche*. In France mackerel are cooked *au vin blanc*, and in Britain we pickle herrings — all means of preserving fresh fish for a few days or weeks. The small oily fish are ideally suited, and sardines are particularly good at this time of year. This is the Catalan version.

Escabeix

(serves 4 as a single starter)

8 sardines
flour for coating
olive oil for frying

Marinade

½pt/70ml extra virgin olive oil
4tbsp red or white wine vinegar
sprig of thyme, bruised
2 or 3 bay leaves
1tsp sugar
1tsp black peppercorns, roughly crushed
½tsp sea salt
1 mild onion, peeled and thinly sliced
black olives, optional

Scale the sardines: an easy way to do this is to hold them under the running cold tap and gently scrape a knife, or rub finger and thumb, against the scales. Cut off the head, cut down the belly and remove the innards and backbone. Leave whole or cut into two fillets. Rinse and dry well. Coat the fish in flour and fry them for a few minutes in the olive oil, turning them once during cooking. Drain on paper towels and place in a shallow dish.

Mix the marinade ingredients and pour over the fish while still warm. Leave for at least four hours. Covered and refrigerated, they will keep for several days.

In Catalan, *esquéixar* means "to shred", and that is how salt cod is prepared in the following recipe. It is a wonderfully refreshing dish. At home, the salt cod for *esquéixada* is available in many Italian, Spanish and Caribbean food shops. A thick fillet of undyed smoked haddock can be prepared in the same way.

Esqueixada

(serves 4-6)

1lb/455g salt cod, soaked in several changes of water for 48 hours
1 mild onion, peeled and thinly sliced
¼lb/110g black olives
3 or 4 large, sweet ripe tomatoes, peeled, deseeded and halved
1 red and 1 green pepper, optional
extra virgin olive oil
wine vinegar
freshly ground black pepper
salt, if necessary

Drain and dry the fish. Remove skin, bone and any parts that have remained tough and dry. With your fingers, or two forks, shred the fish into a large salad bowl. Add the onion rings, olives and tomatoes, cut into strips. If using the peppers, remove the top and seeds, and slice into thin rings. Mix thoroughly. Stir in olive oil, vinegar and seasoning to taste.

The next dish of simply grilled vegetables is one of my favourite summer salads. *Escalivada* is a wonderfully colourful, luscious dish of grilled or roasted aubergines, onions, tomatoes and red peppers. This is easy to do at home, on a barbecue, griddle or baked in the oven. A top-quality extra virgin olive oil and some sea salt are the only flavourings needed.

Escalivada

(serves 4-6)

1 large aubergine
1tbsp salt
2 large mild onions
2 red peppers
extra virgin olive oil
seasoning

Slice the aubergine, salt it and let it drain in a colander for an hour or so. Rinse and dry thoroughly. Slice the onions about ¼in/0.5cm thick, leaving the skin on. Quarter the peppers and remove the seeds and white pith. Brush the vegetables and the grill with olive oil, and grill the vegetables until they are soft. Skin the peppers and remove the skin from the onion slices. Put the vegetables in a shallow bowl and pour on olive oil. Season lightly and let the flavours blend for at least an hour or so before serving.

For the grand finale to this meal you will need egg white. Use it to make *escumes*, a speciality of La Estrella, a very old tea-room and pastry shop in Sitges. With their light, crisp, airy texture, *escumes* have a slight resemblance to the foamy waves, as they crash on the rocks. Their name is Spanish for sea foam.

This version of mine is very close to the original recipe. The only difficulty, as with any meringue-like recipe, is getting them bone-dry and crisp. It is not a good idea to make them when conditions are humid. They are so quick to make that the oven will not have heated up unless you put it on before you start mixing. Set the oven first at 150C/300F, gas mark 2, and line a baking sheet with rice paper or non-stick paper.

Moscatel de Sitges is the perfect sweet wine to accompany *escumes*, but other wines made from sweet muscat grapes will do as well.

Escumes

(makes 12-15)

1 free-range egg white
2oz/60g caster sugar
1¾oz/50g almonds, a mixture of ground and finely chopped

Whisk the egg white until foamy and then gradually whisk in the sugar, as if making a meringue. Gently fold in the almonds. Spoon the mixture into rough, craggy heaps on the baking sheet and put in the oven immediately, just above the middle. Bake for eight to ten minutes, until a very pale uniform golden peach colour. Move to a lower shelf, turn down the heat to 100C/215F, gas ¼, and leave for six to eight minutes more. Switch the oven off, and open the door slightly, leaving the meringues to dry out thoroughly, 20-30 minutes. Remove from the oven and cool on a wire rack.

For an extra light, more refreshing end to the meal, I would serve fruit in *cava*. First make a syrup of equal quantities of water and sugar. (It is worth making more than you need and keeping it in the refrigerator for future use in similar recipes.) Slice peaches and nectarines into a bowl. Pour on equal quantities of fresh orange juice and syrup, cover and chill. Just before serving, pour on a glass or two of *cava* at the table, stir and serve.

Put a bloom on familiar dishes

The age-old art of cooking with flowers is being rediscovered

ANTHONY BLAKE



Kitchen garden: petals are both decorative and tasty

FLOWERS add colour and a hint of the exotic to a dish. They fit well with the modern cooking idiom in which good ingredients, cooked well, are presented beautifully. Although it may seem unusual to use flowers in cooking, this is only a rediscovery of a tradition that goes back centuries.

The 14th-century English cookbook, *Forme of Cury*, has a recipe for Saracen sauce which includes roses. Since then, flowers have appeared in recipes for soups, sauces, tarts, puddings, jams, conserves, salads, vinegars and drinks.

Flowers are ephemeral and delicate, yet these very qualities make flowers attractive to the imaginative cook.

It is best to start conservatively, perhaps by scattering a few contrasting petals over a familiar dish. Large petals (mallow, poppy) look stunning arranged on grilled fish or meat. Smaller petals (marigold, lawn daisy) can be snipped over soups or casseroles just before serving.

Slightly peppery orange or yellow nasturtium flowers look and taste wonderful in a plain green salad — shake well, and sprinkle over the green salad leaves. Dress and toss the salad just before eating, or the flowers will go limp and discolour.

Herb flowers generally have a milder flavour than the leaves — mint flowers are surprisingly good with fish, and sprigs of thyme flowers laid over barbecued chicken add a delicious aroma. Violets, roses and lavender have been popular for centuries.

Other edible flowers include calendula, chives, forget-me-not, hibiscus, honeysuckle, hollyhock, pelargonium, petunia, primrose, rosemary, sage, salad rocket, salsify, scorzonera, and viper's bugloss. Hyssop and pinks, said to be edible, are bitter. Foxgloves and lily of the valley are poisonous. Daffodil flowers are edible, even though the bulbs are poisonous.

As when cooking with fungi, the rule is: if in doubt, don't. Check in a good reference book or with the Royal Horticultural Society at 80 Vincent Square, London SW1P 2PB.

Flowers should be picked when they are just open, in the early morning or in the evening, and never when they have been sprayed with insecticide. With large flowers, you should remove the petals carefully one by one, and snip off the green or white base, which is usually bitter. Smaller flowers can be used whole, divided into florets, or, if they have a hard centre, the individual petals can be snipped off.

The following recipe uses rose petals. Taste the rose petals in your garden and find the sweetest — I use crimson petals from an old damask rose.

Cherry and rose petal soup

(serves 4-6)

1 large rose bloom, pink or red
1lb/450g fresh cherries
½tsp ground cinnamon
4oz/110g demerara sugar
1pt/600ml cold water
8fl oz/240ml rosé wine
1tbsp kirsch
½pt/300ml sour cream

Shake the rose head well to dislodge any wildlife, and remove the petals. Snip off the bitter white part at the base. Reserve a few for decoration. Stone the cherries. Place the cinnamon, sugar, water and wine in a pan, dissolve the sugar, bring to the boil, and add the cherries. Simmer for half an hour, then add the rose petals. Allow to stand until cool.

Liquidise, stir in the kirsch and half the sour cream. Chill in the refrigerator. Serve in a large glass bowl, with a swirl of cream, and sprinkled with the rest of the rose petals.

MARIGOLD petals were once known as "poor man's saffron".

Marigold cake

8oz/225g butter
8oz/225g caster sugar
4 eggs, beaten
8oz/225g plain flour
1tsp freshly grated nutmeg
grated zest of 1 orange
3tbsp fresh marigold petals

Grease and line the base of a 2lb (1kg) loaf tin. Cream the butter with the sugar and add the beaten eggs a little at a time. Sieve the flour with the baking powder and fold into the creamed mixture. Add the orange zest and marigold petals. Spoon into the tin and bake at gas mark 4, 350F, 180C for an hour. Serve warm if possible.

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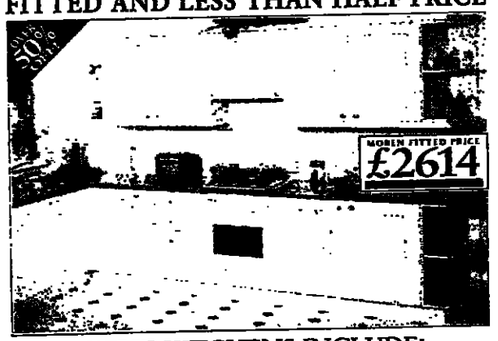
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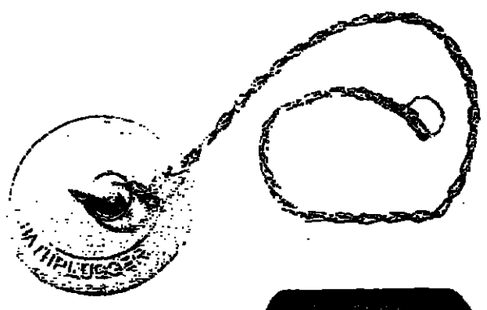
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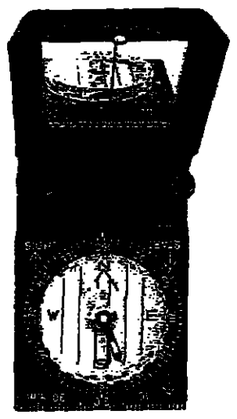
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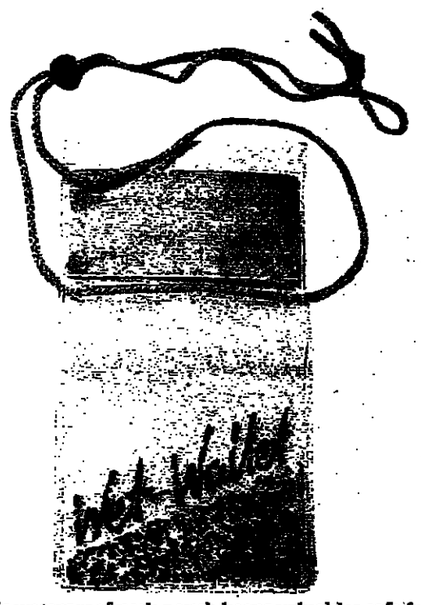
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How to travel light — even if it means leaving the haggis behind

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So what do you need, when you go away? Ideally, next to nothing, so you can just take hand baggage on the plane. When you consider how many of the things we pack are only included to prevent or cure holiday blisters to hands and feet caused by too much lugging, this makes even more sense. Roll a few little silk dresses or pairs of linen trousers round your toothbrush and you're off. Silk does not crush if you roll it and linen looks better crushed, or so people who ought to know better insist. I suspect this only works if you stay at the kind of hotel that unpacks for you and presses all your clothes while you're out on the terrace sipping a Bellini.

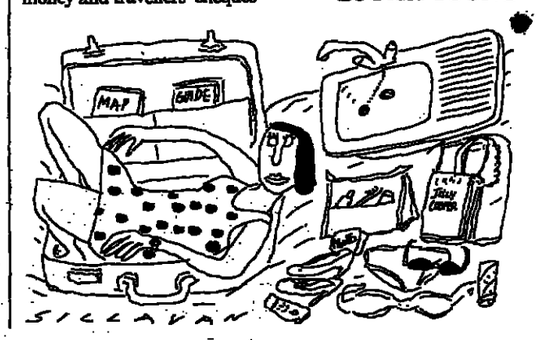
Then you'll need a jacket for the evening. And two or three swimming costumes so you don't get a tan line in one place. Only you don't want to tan any more, so you'll need a beach robe, sun hat and several different strengths of sun-tan cream. And your passport. And insect repellent. And money and travellers' cheques and credit cards. And one of those tubes of stuff to wash what used to be called your smalls in, because after all most hotels don't do your laundry, and even if they did you might not want to give them your knickers. And you'll need visas, if you need visas. And a fat book or two. And your crucifix/teddy bear/sickness pills to clutch on the runway. And a choice of shoes to spread the blisters around. And sticking plasters.

There is no point in taking stuff that you never usually use in the hope that somehow your idealised holiday self will find it indispensable and deeply flattering. An item that is too tight in Britain will be too tight in the Seychelles.

A woman I know cannot pack without having a friend with her to remind her that she looks horrid in those shorts with that top, and that she never wears that dress anyway, and to sit on the suitcase to close it. She has been known to beg the friend to get in the case too to advise her at the other end.

And do not, as I once did for the best of reasons, attempt to take a haggis with you. Several of my little silk numbers emerged with interesting, if greasy, designs on them, and the aroma by the time we reached Rome was something else. If you have a haggis that needs to travel, seek professional advice.

LOUISA YOUNG



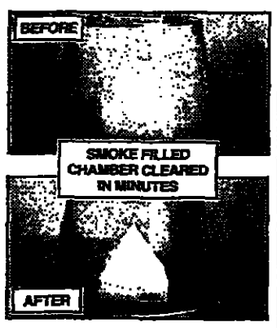
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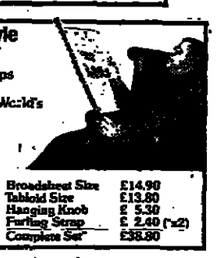
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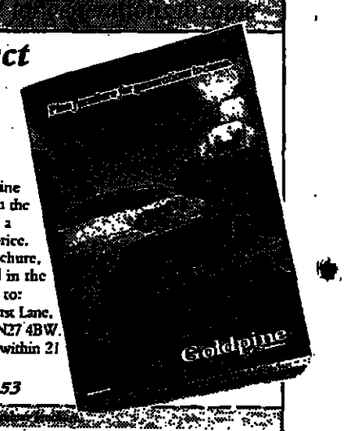
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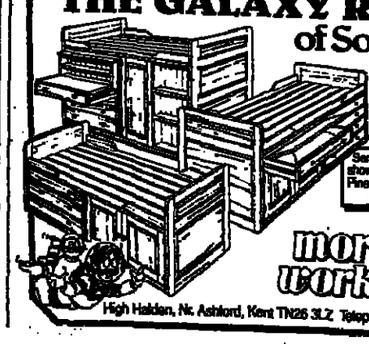
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Dressed to bless: hanging out the bunting in preparation for the big parade in Clerkenwell

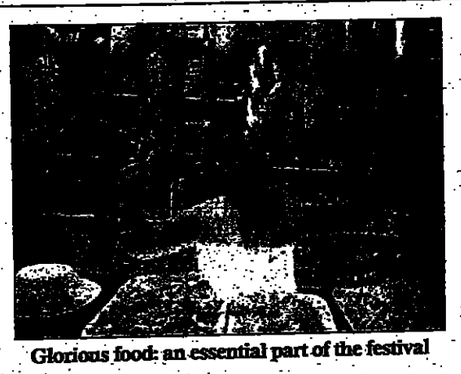
Big appetites in Little Italy

Britain's Italian communities do not let our weather dull the celebration of their culture. Clare Nelson joins the party

FOR an authentic slice of pizza — and of Italian life — visit one of the Italian processions taking place in London or Bedford this summer. Tomorrow the community of London's Little Italy honours its saint, Madonna del Carmine, with a procession from St Peter's Italian church and a grand street party, known as a *sagra*, afterwards.

Every village in Italy has its saint, and during the summer holds a procession and feast in his or her honour. At about the time of Italian unification in 1860, waves of impoverished Italians left their country to seek a better life. Many northerners settled in France and Britain, bringing their traditions with them. The theme of this year's procession is the celebration of St Peter's 130 years of existence. The procession itself started in 1883, when special permission to stage it was granted.

Tomorrow afternoon it will be impossible to miss the 5ft statue of the Madonna and child, which looks as if it has stepped out of an Italian fresco, as it is carried through the packed streets of Clerkenwell, in central London. The statue leaves St Peter's, preceded by hosts of angels, centurions, monks, and other colourful characters who have raided St Peter's dressing-up box. Sunday school stories unfold before your eyes as floats roll by bearing people dressed as characters from the New Testament. Bands playing hymns compete with loudspeakers blasting out "Ave Maria". Men in dark suits bearing the banners of their associations contrast with the Persil white of girls in their first communion dresses. At the end of the procession, when the statue is returned to the church, white doves of peace are released.



Glorious food: an essential part of the festival



Put out more flags: flying the Italian tricolour

In the early 1950s there was another burst of Italian immigration to Britain. On arrival, the immigrants were shocked to find the only wines available were expensive French and German ones or cheap Empire reds from Australia. It was obviously too much for body and soul to eat pasta with a glass of Emu or Kanga Rouge, so they started making their own wine.

Although it is now cheaper to buy a bottle of good Italian wine than to make one of the same standard, it is not so much fun and at the end of September, some Italian families here clear out their garages in preparation for the arrival of juggernauts carrying Puglia grapes from the south of Italy to wholesalers throughout Britain. Bruno Conte imports about 2,160 tons of grapes to his Bedford wholesale Italian food store during this five-week period, and has trouble keeping up with demand. Last year, Arturo Amodio, a London fruiterer, filled his garage with 220 litres of robust red wine, costing 70p a litre. It was ready for drinking by Easter. The method is traditional — feet are used to tread the grapes — and the end result sometimes dicey.

At the *sagra* tomorrow, the fruits of the garage will not be on sale: apart from incurring too much interest from the Chancellor, wine inspires fierce competition, and no Italian would contemplate buying anyone else's.

After the proclamation of faith, there is a gastronomical tour of Italy. Clerkenwell's Warner Street and Eyre Street Hill in the Rosebery Avenue, Farringdon Road, Clerkenwell Road triangle are transformed into an open-air market of eating. Each Italian association has stalls where it sells the specialities of its region. Start in the north with *polenta e salsicce*, molten yellow slabs of polenta served with fat spicy sausages. Work your way across to the Veneto and try dishes of risotto with mushrooms or seafood.

Keep going south to experiment with *necci*, the Tuscan cake made with chestnut flour and sometimes *ricotta* cheese. Stop off for some suckling pig roasting on a spit — barbaric but delicious. Further south and the authentic pizza of Naples groaning with tomatoes, oregano and circles of melting mozzarella. Then finish off with some *cannoli*, a rich Sicilian concoction of *ricotta* and mixed fruit. Snack on *frittelle* — balls of batter fried quickly in oil and dusted with icing sugar. Freshen your palate with big slices of watermelon and, of course, Italian wine and grappa.

Also part of this huge picnic are lucky dips, coconut shies, and people dancing and singing to the accompaniment of Neapolitan love songs and accordion music.

● *The procession of Madonna del Carmine leaves St Peter's Italian church tomorrow at 3.30pm. For more information, contact St Peter's on 071-837 9071. There is another big procession in Bedford on Sunday, August 29: contact the Church of Santa Francesca on 0234 359515.*

SIMON NORFOLK/SELECT



Mother church: the statue of the Madonna del Carmine will be carried through the streets of London's Little Italy tomorrow

Using plastic bottles, cardboard tubes and fairy lights, a former schoolteacher is making science lessons fun

Science without friction

Stephen Smyth could easily be mistaken for a small-time fly-tipper or a down-at-heel magician as he trundles around London in an A-reg Citroën loaded down with cardboard tubes, old plastic Coke bottles, a set of fairy lights and bits of glass.

But the former secondary school teacher and researcher at York University is, despite appearances, a new kind of ambassador, hired to turn scientifically and technologically suspicious children into potential Newtons, Einsteins and Brunels.

While his car may appear to hold the contents of the average dustbin, the bric-à-brac can be turned by little hands into telescopes for star-gazing or tugs for transporting loads down canals.

At the very least, his educational shows are designed to ignite, in young brains an interest in fields which, as the government so often reminds us, hold the key to the nation's prosperity, and which in Britain are so often believed to be in terminal decline.

Explaining his method, Mr Smyth says: "It is not meant to be magic . . . at the end I want the children to be able to say 'I understand how he did that'. But there is a great deal of showmanship, and I do want it to have an element of theatricality."

His role has emerged as part of a national strategy by the youth wing of the British Association for the Advancement of Science (BAAS), which is designed to stimulate young people's interest in everything from quarks to quails.

While the association, a 150-year-old charity, hires scientists across the country to run workshops one day a week, Mr Smyth's job is unique in that it is full-time. "It came about following discussions between the BAAS and the Sir John Cass's Foundation, which wanted to become more involved with curriculum projects in London," he says.

Since taking up his post six months ago, 41-year-old Mr Smyth has developed two versions of his London Interactive In-School Science Exhibitions.

The first is Splash (Some Pleasurable Leisure Activites Scientifically Handled), partly "about getting wet" but mainly about ship design and engineering.

The other, his astronomy show, uses bits of refuse, Lego, an astronomical telescope, a star globe and a planetarium to teach children about the constellations. The fairy lights are used as substitute stars from which children can make their own star maps. "I also have diagrams of the Leo constellation, which children are asked to interpret in their own way . . . it is extraordinary how many join up the dots to make a shopping trolley instead of a lion. There is a psychology Phd thesis in there somewhere," he says.

A Hula-Hoop on a stand acts as a shadow machine or umbra-graph to show the path of the sun across the horizon. The position of the shortest shadow indicates the highest point in the sky for the sun or the stars and the most advantageous point on which to site a telescope to search for them.

With the cardboard tubes and bits of ground glass, children can learn to make their own telescopes to study the wonders of space.

"People have the idea that science is extremely complicated, and it can be. But it can also be very simple and extremely elegant," says Mr Smyth.

The idea for Splash grew out of work at the National Maritime Museum, in Greenwich, where Mr Smyth works one day a week and where there was concern that children found models of battleships and tea clippers difficult to understand. The result is a 6ft by 4ft paddling pool, bits of wood, plastic bottles, and a form of corrugated material with which children can explore how some designs favour elegant sailing while others are more suitable for carrying heavy loads.

For example, children are asked to design a vessel out of paperclips and sheets of paper. "If you get a nice high-sided shape you can carry quite a big load . . . it looks a bit like a coal tug. At one school we managed to load on 600g [about 2oz]," Mr Smyth says.

Other parts of the Splash show include using bottle, straws and Plasticine to make a Cartesian diver, a system which demonstrates that varying the pressure on the pool's surface causes objects to dart up and down.

At present, his job is focused on schools in the London boroughs, but Mr Smyth hopes to extend the project to a wider public if funding can be secured. This is why tomorrow's show, taking place at a family day at St Bride's church, in east London, is considered both a curiosity and a challenge.

"I would love to extend the work to families, youth clubs and other organisations. One way would be to find a more permanent venue . . . the Museum of London has a site in Docklands which could be ideal," Mr Smyth says.

NICK NUTTALL

● *Details of the youth projects and regional representatives of the British Association for the Advancement of Science can be obtained from the BAAS at Fortress House, 23 Savile Row London W1X 1AB (071-494-3326). St Bride's family day, Fleet Street, London EC4Y 8AU (071-353-1301), after morning service.*

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All eyes: Sue Ling, eight (left), and Evita Jay, seven, try out equipment lent by the National Maritime Museum

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What the papers said:

Derwent May's bookbuyer's guide

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3/5 **Goody goody Malgudi:** *The Grandmother's Tale* (Heinemann £9.99), a little book consisting of three short stories by the Indian writer R.K. Narayan, encountered no such problems. "This 5in x 7½in work of art is a positive investment," declared Angela Huth in *The Daily Telegraph*. The stories are set in Narayan's fictional Indian town of Malgudi, and in the first, long one about a child bride, said Miss Huth, "Narayan infuses a compelling mixture of Indian culture, tradition, landscape", while "in the other two stories Narayan's natural humour comes more obviously into play". In *The Times*, Victoria Glendinning also praised Narayan's "lightness and humour": she thought that Malgudi "has acquired an actuality as timeless and distinctive as Trollope's *Barchester*".
Col cm: 52

3/5 **Eyes have it:** Grief and admiration everywhere for Maggie Hemingway, who died in May aged 47, and whose last book, *Eyes* (Sinclair-Stevenson £14.99), has just come out.

Eyes contains four stories about tragic women, linked by the presence of powerless, watching eyes. "Lurking menace ... dark intensity" wrote Lindsay Duguid in *The Independent on Sunday*. "Little actual gore, but plenty of sinister vibration," said Tania Glyde in *The Times*. However, "confusion gathers as the pace increases", lamented Angela Huth in her *Daily Telegraph* round-up.
Col cm: 76

2/5 **No gun like Shogun:** James Clavell's *Gai-Jin* is sitting comfortably at No 6 in the bestseller lists — but the reviewers *did not like it much. It is a* violent, 1,000-page story about *gai-jin* — or foreigners — in 19th-century Japan (200 years after the events in Clavell's earlier success, *Shogun*). In the *The Sunday Times* Martin Cropper observed that "the finest moment occurs when two coupling sodomites are kebabed with a single sword to become 'a human-headed dragonfly'". "Like a Samurai warrior, it draws out its innards at great length," concluded Christopher Walker in *The Observer*.
Col cm: 143

In rural Somerset, **Ruth Gledhill** meets a polo-playing rector with a thriving parish

Cavalry rides to church's rescue



I PARKED in blazing sunshine in a field of freshly mown hay, between a white Rolls-Royce and a Rover. Tables set with white linen on the paved patio outside the west front of the church enticed me into the sloping churchyard. The rector, the Rev Rex Hancock, was leaning on the front gate, with a beaming, rosy-faced smile of welcome. Church bells pealed *out in a charmingly* eccentric fashion, the result of three people attempting to ring four of the six available, with one woman ringing two at once.

Mr Hancock's church in West Quantoxhead, Somerset, is dedicated to the virgin St Etheldreda, commonly called St Audry, Queen of Northumbria. She became first Abbess of Ely and died in AD679 of a throat tumour, which she considered a punishment for wearing necklaces in her youth.

This is the biggest of seven churches in Mr Hancock's combined benefice. In some rural parts of England, one vicar can be in charge of as many as ten churches. Most of Mr Hancock's churches have congregations of fewer than ten, but for our service there were about 30.

Inside, the worshippers seemed to fill the few rows of gleaming pews, which can hold about 200. The red-tiled polished floor, carved pulpit and choir stalls were set off by a riotous display of golden chrysanthemums, lilies, gladioli and alstroemeria, pink delphiniums, red anthurium, cream carnations, preserved mahonia and other exotic flora, complemented by the flowery dresses worn by nearly every woman present.

The choir of eight women and three men processed up the aisle to the introit, an organ rendition of "All Things Bright and Beautiful", the theme of that week's flower festival. As we launched into the *first hymn, the sensation of being* in the archetypal country parish church was augmented by the apparent inability of some members of the congregation to sing in tune. Aided by the lusty voices of the choir, which drowned out our faulty notes, we sang popular hymns to folk melodies, such as "Sent forth by God's blessing" to the tune of "The Ash Grove".

We proceeded at a brisk pace through the communion service, set out in the *Church of England Alternative Service Book*. Hymn, confession, readings, sermon and the Creed came to their conclusion *in the sacrament of holy communion*, well within the allotted hour preferred by most Anglicans.

ALAIN LOCKYER



Light of the world: the Rev Rex Hancock — "be prepared, be on your watch, be on your guard"

Mr Hancock is a former master of beagles, fishes regularly and used to ride to hounds. He joined forces with a parishioner, Capt Tony Bailey, a former naval skipper, to create his own polo team, the Kilve Kippers. Parishioners *still speak of the day they beat the* Weston-super-Mare B side.

Mr Hancock decided to become a clergyman after a dramatic conversion at a Billy Graham rally in *north London in 1954. He spent 20* years as an army padre with the cavalry. Vestiges of the pre-Christian Mr Hancock remain, however. He was called up before Dr George Carey, now Archbishop of Canterbury but then Bishop of Bath and Wells, after he used "unparliamentary" language to a journalist.

His sermon, a considered piece of plain speaking, was delivered with classic, Anglican-style intonations. "Be prepared" *is the motto of* the Scout movement, he said. "It *is* not only boy scouts, but all Christian people who should have this as their motto today. Be prepared, be on your watch, be on your guard. Repent and be baptised."



Archetypal: St Etheldreda's

In few places are church politics *more impassioned than at parish* level. After the service, some members of the congregation, with a sense of quiet importance, conveyed information to me of varying degrees of intrigue. A relative-by-marriage of the Archdeacon of London, the Ven George Cassidy, pleaded his case that St Ethelburga's, destroyed by the *recent IRA bomb in the City*, should not be rebuilt. Local dignitaries were offended by the size of the parish "quota", the fixed contribution each church pays towards *its vicar's stipend*, perceived and resented as a goad to giving. A farmer, Duncan Stafford, was investigating the parish records, which go back to 1559, to discover the fate of a baby boy abandoned in the 18th century. There was talk of how the new Bishop of Bath and Wells, the Right Rev Jim Thompson, has bought a horse, is learning to ride and plans to preach on horseback at Mr Hancock's "animals' service" at nearby Plud Farm, Stringston, in September. There was the necessary introduction to Effie, the rector's old grey mare, in a nearby field.

The congregation represented more than 10 per cent of the population of the parish. When we took tea outside, and visitors began to crowd into the church to look at *the flowers*, I asked about the boarded-up building opposite. It turned out to have been a public house, closed down while the church has continued to thrive. *This was a curious reversal of the* perceived trend of church decline elsewhere. The service suggested that claims by the Church of England that the decline has bottomed out and signs of growth are beginning could be believed.

● *Services in the combined benefice tomorrow: 9.30am, Holy Communion, East Quantoxhead; 11am, Matins at West Quantoxhead and Kilton; 11am, Holy Communion at Stringston; 6.30pm, Evensong at Holford.*

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Beauty that is skin-deep


DENZIL McNEELANCE

Treasure hunter: Professor Ghillean Prance, the director of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, is researching the widespread uses of the world's exotic barks

Francesca Greenoak describes some of the beautiful barks our trees display

High summer is a time of glorious flower borders, but there are other pleasures if you have an eye for them. For the past few years, Professor Ghillean Prance, the director of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, and his wife Annie have been researching the recondite treasures of bark, which is not only an important functional part of a tree, a channel for nutrients, a buffer against outside danger, but often a thing of beauty in itself.

I have often admired the eucalyptuses at Kew but had not noted until now the snow gum *Eucalyptus pauciflora*, which grows on its own not far from the rock garden. Its smooth, silvery bark is as inviting to the touch as a Hepworth sculpture. A small species, it is one of the hardiest. The sub-species *niphophylla* has a python-skin bark, characteristically patch-worked in green, cream and grey.

Living among the Chiltern beechwoods in Buckinghamshire, I am aware of the fine, tall, grey trunks of the native beeches, the brownish fissured oaks and the iron-grey fluted bark of hornbeams, but these are woodland and parkland trees, far too big in maturity for any but the largest gardens.

Ash and hazel trees can be accommodated in smaller gardens if they are coppiced; regular cutting produces multiple juvenile stems of grey and glossy brown, but does not allow the development of the mature bark. For this you have to choose a tree of slighter or smaller mature stature, such as silver birch or rowan.

Some birches, such as *Betula ermanii*, have an attractive pink or fawn-coloured bark. The gleaming whiteness of the popular garden birch *Betula utilis jacquemontii* is striking, but the common silver birch has much to recommend it, particularly in a rural garden. A friend has a small grove of common birch, graceful in itself, which blends with the wider landscape.

Birches and rowans naturally hold their foliage high, which makes their ornamental barks visible during the summer as well as winter months. I am fond of rowans; in the native form they have a slate-grey bark, but a form called *Beissneri* has a crimson-brown trunk with a waxiness that gives it a shiny, polished look.

Maples, such as snakebarks and the peeling, cinnamon-coloured paperbark, are famous for their beautiful barks, but when grown in the open the foliage hangs dense and low, obscuring the trunk except in winter.

In the past, the bark of willows and poplars was used for bottle-stoppers, and exotic barks are in widespread use worldwide, although there is little practical use for the bark on garden trees.

Developing an appreciation of bark, trunks and twigs does, however, help in understanding a tree's metabolism. The thick insulation of cork oak bark protects the delicate food-conducting tissues from the harsh winds of its native Mediterranean. Douglas fir and redwood have fire-resistant bark, protection in the western US homeland where natural fires occur frequently. In arid regions, where the trees manage only slow growth, they sometimes have a green inner bark which can photosynthesise.

In the garden, it is useful to know that a healthy plane tree naturally sheds its bark in patches, and that corky wings forming on the branches of the field maple, *Acer campestre*, and its cultivars are normal, whereas tell-tale orange dots denote the presence of coral spot fungus and the need to prune back diseased wood.

● Bark: The Formation, Characteristics and Uses of Bark Around the World, *by Ghillean and Anne Prance, photographs by Kjell Sandved (Timber Press £37.50).*

WEEKEND TIPS

- *Prune espalier, fan, cordon and other trained apples and pears.*
- *Hoe in dry weather and the weeds will die more readily.*
- *Before going on holiday, move pots into the shade and arrange for somebody to water them for you.*
- *Pick sweet peas regularly to ensure continuous flowering.*
- *Lift garlic crops when the leaves turn yellow, drying the bulbs in the sun before storing.*

BEST BUYS

THERE is no excuse for enduring boring, flavourless salads. Sow now for regular salads into the autumn, using looseleaf lettuces (sow these in the late afternoon to give cooler temperatures for germination in the evening), and landcress as salad base leaves. Chicory and endive sown now give a slightly bitter flavour. The leaves of mizuna and mustard greens, landcress and rocket, used sparingly, give a hot taste; sorrel gives a lemon flavour. Radishes can be sown now for a quick crop.

MY PERFECT WEEKEND

LORD JENKINS OF HILLHEAD

Chancellor of Oxford University



Where would you go?
Glasgow, partly for sentimental memories of the five years when I represented its West End in Parliament, and partly because it is architecturally the finest Victorian city in the world.

How would you get there?
By train, if I had the time, or air.

Where would you stay?
With friends; one of Glasgow's few deficiencies is in a good traditional hotel (ie, circa 1900).

Who would be your perfect companion?
Being a little cloyed by almost every previous contributor to this column self-righteously saying "my wife" or "my husband", I am not prepared to do so, whether or not it would be true.

What essential piece of clothing or kit would you take?
An umbrella.

What would you eat?
Nothing too indigenous, certainly not haggis. Glasgow has at least three or four high-class general cuisine restaurants.

What would you drink?
Whisky or red bordeaux, the two things I most like drinking.

Which books would you take to read?
What I was reading at the time, although if I did not already know it, S. G. Checkland's *The Upas Tree*, which is a socio-historical account of Glasgow's (mainly) 19th-century growth.

What music would you listen to?
Whatever the Scottish Opera was performing, particularly if it was doing one of those Scottish-set pieces, *Lucia di Lammermoor* or *Macbeth* or even *La Donna del lago*.

Would you play any game or sport?
No, because the only game I now play is croquet, and Glasgow, despite its many advantages, is not a city notable for its lawns.

What piece of art would you like to look at?
The corner of Scottish colourists in the Kelvingrove Gallery.

Who would be your least welcome guest?
My replacement as MP for Hillhead.

Which newspapers or journals would you read?
The Herald (regretting that it has recently dropped the "Glasgow" from its title).

What three things would you leave behind?
Probably several necessary but *replaceable items such as* handkerchiefs, razors or socks.

What three things would you most like to do?
1. Visit the Kelvingrove Gallery at dusk (about 3pm!) on a winter Saturday afternoon, with the organ playing and the sun setting in a red ball beyond the hills above the Clyde. 2. Lunch or dine at Rogano's, a good art deco fish restaurant. 3. Drive through the South Side, taking in the Burrell (an even better modern building than the collection it houses), the Pollok House picture gallery, and the view from Queen's Park, which shows why Glasgow is more like a European city than any English city.

To whom would you send a postcard?
Robert Maclennan MP, who, as a core product of Kelvinside, was more responsible for my fighting Hillhead, and hence for the onset of my love affair with Glasgow, than anyone else.

What souvenir would you bring home?
The latest book of Glasgow architectural pictures.

What would you like to find when you got home?
That it had been one of those rare weekends when the sun had shone on Clydeside and the rain poured down in the south of England.

Interview by Rosanna Greenstreet

● *Lord Jenkins's latest book is* Portraits and Miniatures — Selected Essays *(Macmillan London, £17.99).*

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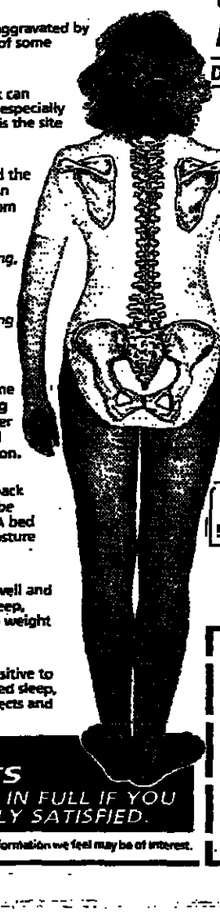
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With her head in the clouds and a sharp eye on the weather, **Janet Impey** decides to take to the sky in a hot-air balloon — but the ba



LEFT

From left, Danuta wears cotton print shirt, £89, all branches Jaeger. T-shirt, £15, all branches French Connection. Green jeans, £47.99, In Wear, 77 King's Road, London SW3 (081-871 2155 for further stockists). Green deck shoes, £14.99, Marks & Spencer. Pat wears cream cotton rib sweater, £45, Dash (0908 565758 for stockists). Thin green jumper beneath, £55, In Wear, as before. Mesh scarf from a selection by Liz Claiborne at Selfridges (071-436 5353 for stockists). Rib leggings, £20, French Connection (071-580 2507 for stockists). Green plimsolls, £14.99, all branches Faith. Socks from a selection at Sock Shop. Gerald wears coral T-shirt, £12.99, Marks & Spencer. Green jeans waistcoat, £55, BSCO from Grip, 447 Oxford St, London W1; Jeanswear, 231 Oxford St, London W1; and selected branches Top Shop. Jeans, £19.95, Marks & Spencer. Plimsolls, £16.99, French Connection.

RIGHT

Danuta wears cream calico jacket, £89.99, all branches Dash. Polo shirt-body, £35, Mulberry, Gees Court, London W1 and branches (071-493 2547 for stockists). Striped trousers, £33, French Connection. Deck shoes, £39.50, Mulberry. Gloves, £26.95, Dents, from department stores.

BELOW

Gerald wears indigo and cream print shirt, £32.50, jeans, £44, plimsolls, £16.99, all French Connection.



The ups and downs of playing with balloons



Pat Shepherd, Gerald Tagg and Danuta Kozubska dressed for safer work

Ballooning is hard on the pectorals. A lot of lifting, hauling and dragging goes on before flight. Even until the last moment, the weather can play unkind tricks and the whole event may have to be abandoned. So what is the attraction? Why give up the pleasures of Friday night in exchange for a battle with the traffic, a physical workout with an unwieldy craft, and just a slim chance of lift-off?

Danuta Kozubska, a chartered accountant and tax consultant, says: "After the constraints and routines of office work, ballooning gives you a marvellous sense of freedom. When you begin a flight, you have no idea where you will end up or what problems you might encounter. Each flight is a unique mixture of exhilaration and concentration."

Ten years ago, Miss Kozubska was introduced to ballooning by some friends: "It was an early summer morning with calm conditions. I'm normally terrified of heights — you won't get me up a 7ft ladder — but with ballooning, the earth just gently falls away from you and there's no sensation of height until your brain registers the view." Miss Kozubska got her pilot's licence a year later.

But what happens when you come down to land, miles from your starting point, with a basket and a deflated balloon to return to base? Your retrieval team comes to the rescue. Pat Shepherd, a PA for a publisher, and Gerald Tagg, a computer consultant, drive the "retrieve" vehicle that follows the balloon's flight as closely as possible from the ground.

"Retrieving is just as much fun as being a passenger," says Ms Shepherd, "mostly because you discover lots of decent pubs while you are meandering around the countryside." But neither she nor Mr Tagg is earth-bound: he is learning to fly fixed-wing aircraft while she is a PUT (pilot under training).

A balloon PUT must undergo a series of exacting practical and written tests, set by the Civil Aviation Authority, in order to get a pilot's licence. The CAA also sets stringent safety standards for balloon equipment. Watching the team prepare for flight, I understand why. In order to inflate the balloon, two crew members stand on either side holding its mouth open while another directs the blast of flame and hot air from the propane burner inside. The material at the base of the balloon is fireproof; humans are not. "It's the reason we all wear clothes made from natural fibres — they are less of a fire hazard than synthetic materials," Miss Kozubska says. In the early years of ballooning history, the volunteer for this job actually had to go inside the balloon and hold it open for the hot air to enter (more powerful heaters have made this unnecessary today); he was known as Cremation Charlie.

"We also have to wear practical clothes — trousers because of clambering in and out of the basket, comfortable tops, flat shoes and gloves for gripping ropes and handling fuel canisters."

Inflating the balloon is not the only potentially tricky moment. Once in the air, [illegible] ballooning likes and dislikes. Although speed and ascent can be controlled, sudden gusts of wind can affect the balloon's movements in unpredictable ways. Even when the balloon has landed, gusts of wind can drag it across a field, and while the pilot is struggling to control the deflation process, the passengers must stay in the basket and tough it out. Folding a deflated balloon in a muddy field can be a dirty business.

Apart from gift-wrapping a tree, Miss Kozubska has avoided any major incidents, and errs on the side of caution if the weather looks unpredictable. It can be frustrating. The air is most likely to be calm in the early morning or the early evening, but the preparation has to begin well before take-off. The balloon has to be unrolled, and laid out, lines sorted and fuel tanks strapped safely into the basket before beginning the long process of warming the air to inflate the balloon. Sometimes it means hanging around for hours, and then the the[illegible] may make a flight impos[illegible]

In this regard, ballooning has not changed much since 1783. The first successful launch from the Palace of Versailles, carrying a sheep, a goat and a cock in the basket, was demonstrated by the Montgolfier brothers. Their blue balloon was made from cotton cloth lined with paper. The hot air was provided by burning a mixture of cho[illegible] straw and wool. King Louis XVI watched the event, attended by his entire court, and such was the excitement that it was not long before the first manned flight followed.

Hot-air ballooning soon became popular in England and, until the turn of this century, attracted huge crowds. Before the spread of the suburbs, it was common to see balloons taking off from Chelsea.

Early balloon designs were often eccentric: some had sails and rudders; some were filled with hydrogen and could take days to fill; other designs were so unwieldy that they were flying [illegible] and all were at the mercy of the elements.

Two centuries later, modern materials and high technology have made ballooning safer, but the weather keeps it unpredictable. It is a weekend thrill that is hard to beat, but it is an expensive hobby — owning a balloon is as costly as a second family car, and the insurance is astronomical.

Talking of spirit, our balloon is now looking slightly drunk, rolling and bouncing about, the wind giving spiteful gusts, strong enough to lift the basket. There is just too much turbulence.

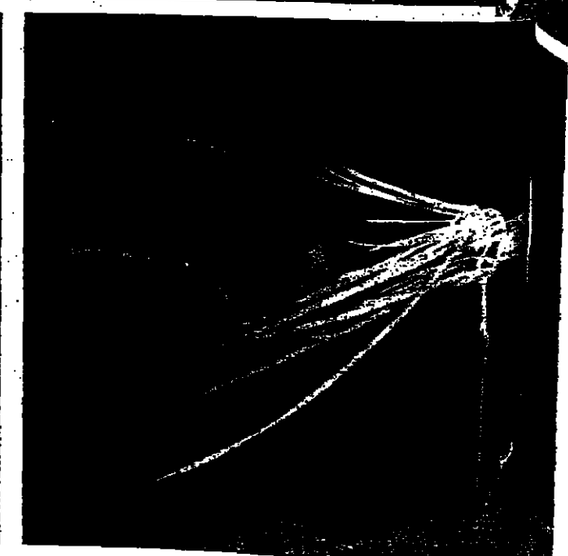
"Rip," yells Miss Kozubska, letting out the hot air. Our flight is not to be.

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A bit (and saddle) on the side

SPORTING LIFE

How Lin Jenkins and her horses mastered the art of side-saddle riding — with slightly less than regal aplomb

The time had come to abandon the Thelwell pony club image. The flapping, ribboned bunches and dare-devil antics so compelling in youth did not sit so well with advancing years and the desire to be transformed into a horsewoman.

Side-saddle seemed the perfect answer. How elegant, how effortless it all seemed. Romantic, too, with a lasting impression of great beauties attracting admirers as they made stately progress around a fashionable Hyde Park. Even the Queen looked her most regal when side-saddle for Trooping the Colour, before her trusted mare Burmese retired and she opted not to school a new horse for the task.

My progress was, unfortunately, less than stately. But what was lacking in decorum was partially countered by unbridled enthusiasm as I embarked on my first lesson: how to mount.

After an initial introduction to the strange horse, assisted by bribes of titbits, three methods of mounting were explained. There was no mention of the crane and winch system which seemed so necessary, and is reputed to have been used to get the corpulent Henry VIII astride his steed.

Placing my left foot in the linked hands of my gallant helper I kicked him across the yard and landed stomach first on the poor horse, clinging like a limpet with legs flailing wildly. So much for elegance. Lyn Russell, my instructor and one of the top show riders in the country, rolled her eyes heavenwards. No doubt the horse did the same. Divine intervention failed to materialise, and the next half-hour was spent repeating the process with little success until, mindful of the welfare of the horse, I was allowed to stay on.

Next it was my turn to roll my eyes as we proceeded gently across the yard to the outdoor manege. The pain was excruciating. My right leg was seized with cramp as it wrapped around the leaping head of the saddle, with the heel pressed back into the left shin. Balance was even more of a problem. The weight of both legs on the left side made my shoulders lean to the right. Correcting the fault failed to improve stability.

The first trot was terrifying. My left leg (the one in the stirrup) shot backwards, shoulders lurched to the right and, losing my balance, I grabbed at the reins and clamped my legs to the horse. Recognising the poorly executed aids for a half halt and canter, the horse moved up a gear. "Bloody well relax or you'll be going round here at 90mph." The instruction was correct and succinct. Not even abject terror could suggest a way to bail out.

Our weekly lessons continued, although several were cut short by the rider's lack of physical fitness. This came as some surprise since I was used to riding at least three times a week, and had assumed that side-saddle would require less energy. But like the swan gliding on the lake, the elegant demeanor defies the frantic activity below the water's surface.

Time came for my horse Ella to spend a week at "school" to be taught the basics. Most horses take well to the change, although well schooled and naturally balanced ones find it less difficult.

What she endured she did not say, but there was a supple, willing horse on our first lesson together. Her trot and canter were slower than before, allowing a fighting chance of achieving some semblance of grace.

Practising at home went less smoothly. If mounting was virtually impossible, falling off was all too easy. Ella, objecting to a firm request to canter given my insecure position, planted her front feet firmly on the ground and punched her back heels above my head. The alternative way to dismount had been mastered.

The experience improved my general riding. No longer does my head loll lazily to one side, eyes following every distraction, forcing the poor horse to flounder unbalanced in anticipation of how the weight might be distributed over the next few strides. My first show after seven weeks of lessons ended with a rosette for fourth place, but unease still ensured dismount at the earliest opportunity.

Not content with the achievement, I have become one of the 1,200 members of the rapidly expanding Side-Saddle Association. My other horse, Toffee Knows, has been introduced to the art, and faces a summer of shows after a hard winter drag hunting. A side-saddle has been acquired and with it a habit, bowler, veil and all the other accoutrements demanded by the association's rules for competition.

The dress code of such classes stretches credulity. For example, if hair (the rider's) is too long to form a bun "no bigger than a small doughnut", it must be shorn. Those who have already done this must securely attach a false bun at the nap of the neck beneath the bowler or, if the class is at a county show and after noon, the top hat.

Now an entry has been made for a class in a few days where competitors will be required to jump a small fence. We have not yet attempted such a feat, but it is probably just like falling off. Perhaps I will make it to Rotten Row yet.

JULIAN HERBERT



Getting the habit: Lin Jenkins and her horse Toffee Knows

All the tack

☐ **Information:** Side-Saddle Association, Mrs R.N. James, Highbury House, 19 High Street, Welford, Northampton NN6 7HT (0858 575300/575092).

☐ **Instruction:** The association has a list of instructors in various parts of the country. The cost of lessons varies, starting at around £12 for half an hour (which is more than ample to begin with) if you are using your own horse. Most instructors have a horse they use for beginners. Equestrian training centres and some riding schools hold demonstrations and lectures on the basics and sometimes let participants have a go.

☐ **Equipment:** The number of people riding side-saddle is said to be restricted by the scarcity of saddles. Modern ones just will not do, and most people have already searched their grandmother's attics for hidden treasures. The association handbook lists instructors who have saddles to lease. Prices vary from around £300 to £1,500, depending on the saddler and condition. The experts say look for those made by Champion and Wilton, Owen, or Mayhew. Traditional tailor-made habits are also more in demand than the new versions. Prices start at around £100 for the habit, which comprises a jacket and apron, and end up at haute couture levels when made to measure by one of London's leading tailors. Safety bowlers and top hats can be obtained second-hand. Mine cost £30.



LEFT

Pat wears chunky cotton sweater, £90, and check shirt, £33, both French Connection. Striped jeans, £34.99, BSCO, stockists as before. Plimsolls, £14.99, Faith. Gerald wears cotton jacket, £55.99, BSCO. Striped T-shirt, £39.95, Mulberry. Cotton trousers, £25, and loafers, £25, both Marks & Spencer. Mulberry picnic hamper, £900.

BELOW, FAR LEFT

Pat wears denim jean jodhpurs, £57, and waistcoat, £45, both Liz Claiborne, stockists as before. Striped T-shirt, £9.99, hat, £6.99, both Marks & Spencer.

BELOW LEFT

Danuta wears striped shirt-body, £45, Liz Claiborne: Harrods, London SW1; Selfridges, London W1. Jeans, £59.95, Mulberry.

Photographs by Denzil McNeelance
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Hot air of history: from left, first manned flight in Paris in a "Montgolfière", 1783; first balloon flight in England, 1784; Blanchard and Jeffries cross the Channel, 1785

THE EAST INDIES

Bali-Probolinggo (Java)-Lombok-Satonda-Sabalana-Ujung Pandang-Pare Pare (Overnight)-Balikpapan-Sandakan-Kota Kinabalu-Kuching-Singapore 8-28 January 1994 with Dr John Villiers

In this ever shrinking world for the genuine traveller it is reassuring to know that there are still relatively untouched areas of enormous interest and great beauty where our Caledonian Star may still explore the seas away from the well trodden tourist paths.

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THE ITINERARY

DAY 1 Depart London (Heathrow) for Singapore.

DAY 2 Singapore Arrive and continue on to Bali. Stay overnight at the Hilton Hotel.

DAY 3 Bali Morning drive around the island and after lunch embark on the MS Caledonian Star and sail prior to dinner.

DAY 4 Probolinggo (Java) Visit Mt Bromo, an awesome sight, for the energetic a climb to the top offers spectacular views and a neat freezing temperature. The mountain people (the Tengger) offer an intriguing look at a unique culture (Hindu).

DAY 5 Lombok The atmosphere of Lombok is similar to that of Bali thirty years ago. Drive through the beautiful scenery to Kuta and Wayala Beach and to Sukanare to see traditional weaving.

DAY 6 Satonda Satonda is an old volcanic cone, its crater now submerged. The surrounding coral reef is magical.

DAY 7 Sabalana This tiny dot on the Indonesian map is a fascinating call. We have the afternoon to explore its flora and fauna.

DAY 8 Ujung Pandang Formerly known as Makassar this busy and historic port is dominated by Fort Rotterdam. Now fully restored to its 17th century splendour this Dutch colonial fortress is one of the best examples of its type. See also the La Galigo Museum and shop for the exquisite Kendari style filigree-like silver jewellery.

DAY 9 Pare Pare We will moor overnight in the southern Sulawesi port, providing us with time to drive to Torajaland for an optional overnight stay. The area is perhaps best known for its unusual shaped houses – resembling ships. It is a mountainous area and its relatively inaccessible location has preserved its customs and cultures which have changed little over the centuries. With good fortune we shall be about to witness a festival or celebration.

DAY 10 Torajaland After a morning exploring the area, its people, customs and crafts, we will return to the vessel and sail in the early afternoon.

DAY 11 Balikpapan Today we reach Kalimantan on the island of Borneo. The area around the thriving oil town of Balikpapan was first brought to the world's attention by the novels of Joseph Conrad. This is the land of the Dyaks, fast rivers and a booming timber industry.

DAYS 12 & 13 At sea

DAY 14 Sandakan Visit the famous Sepilok Orang-Utan Sanctuary, a 4000 hectare area of rain forest which is home to wild and rehabilitated orang-utangs. Later our Zodiac craft will explore Sandakan Bay, a fascinating area of mangrove creeks.

DAY 15 Kota Kinabalu The coastal scenery around Sabah's capital of Kota Kinabulu is extraordinarily beautiful. See the Kampong-Air (floating villages), explore the city and countryside of rubber and palm plantations and rice paddies. Moor overnight.

DAY 16 Kota Kinabalu Morning free, sail at lunchtime.

DAY 17 At sea

DAY 18 Kuching Exploration ashore will include the Margherita Fort, the Raja's Istana Palace and the Museum. There will be time to absorb the unique influences of the colonial past and indigenous culture.

DAY 19 At sea

DAY 20 Singapore Arrive in the morning. Morning excursion of the city. Evening departure to London.

DAY 21 London (Heathrow) Arrive in the morning.

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Safe haven: the deep-water harbour at Mahón, the Minorcan capital, where Nelson's fleet sheltered before the battle of Trafalgar

For 25 million pesetas (about £129,000) you can buy an imposing detached villa (pictured below left) overlooking the crystal clear waters of Cala Canutells and the Mediterranean beyond, with its own ten-metre mooring at the bottom of the garden. In the south of the island, it is about ten minutes' drive from the airport and harbour at Mahón.

The property comprises three double bedrooms, bathroom, shower-room, lounge/dining-room leading on to a large covered terrace, fitted kitchen and a garage. The local agent is Bonnin Sanso, Av. Menorca 4A, 07703 Mahón, Minorca (010 3471 363462). The UK agent is Whiteway Properties, 12 High Street, Knaresborough, North Yorkshire (0423 865892).

Alternatively, a restored Minorcan farmhouse (below right) in the tiny, sleepy village of Llumesanas, about two miles from Mahón, is on offer at 32 million pesetas (about £165,000). It has three bedrooms, two bathrooms, two reception rooms and a kitchen. It comes with a swimming pool and just over half an acre of land. According to the local agent, Fincas la Isla, Sa Ravaleta 22, Mahón, Menorca (010 3471 365985/fax 366925), the price is negotiable.

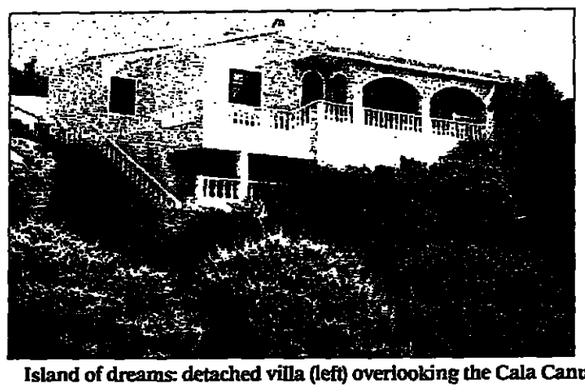
Minorca is a tranquil, laid-back island. Its rolling green landscape, rather like Devon but without the rain, is a patchwork of tiny fields, scrubbed white farmhouses and peaceful villages.

It lacks the regular charter and scheduled flights of its popular sister island, Majorca, and remains largely unspoilt by the over-development of so many Spanish resort areas. Therein lies its charm.

The island — just 35 miles long and nine across — once belonged to the British and was only returned to Spain in 1802 under the Treaty of Amiens. The British left a legacy of Georgian architecture — including the only sash windows in Spain, and the *boinda* (bow window).

To the north of the island, the landscape is undulating, bordered by a rugged coastline, scattered with tiny coves and crescents of white sand nestling beneath verdant cliff faces, only accessible by foot and often deserted. The southern side of the island is mainly flat, with wide bays and long swathes of sandy beach, perfect for children because of the gentle slopes, and lapped by waters as clear as a teardrop.

Twenty years ago the British, searching for holiday homes, made the area fashionable. Consequently, many Minorcan farmhouses are British-owned, and it is rare for an unconverted property to appear on the market. Until 1989, demand for both old and new residential property on the island exceeded supply. In recent years however, property sales in Minorca have slumped, following the recession in the UK, and prices have fallen by as much as 30 per cent.





Island of dreams: detached villa (left) overlooking the Cala Canutells with private mooring; restored Minorcan farmhouse (right)

Traditional farmhouses, with thick limestone walls, vaulted ceilings, green shutters and red clay-tiled roofs, are still sought after, particularly around the island's capital, Mahón, with its magnificent deep-water harbour, where Nelson's fleet sheltered before the battle of Trafalgar. But even here prices have dropped. You can buy an old country house that has already been converted from about £80,000.

A four-bedroom farmhouse with a swimming pool, about five minutes' drive from Mahón, is on offer at 17.5 million pesetas (about £90,000) through local agents Bonnin Sanso. A larger house, fully restored, with outbuildings and several acres of land, will cost between £150,000 and £250,000.

An old house on the narrow cobbled streets of Villa Carlos (originally named Georgetown) can be bought for about £45,000. A restored colonial villa, with three bedrooms and numerous reception rooms, built around a leafy inner courtyard, will cost about £85,000.

Property prices vary, depending largely upon location. The cheapest one-bedroom flat in a busy south-coast resort such as Cala'n Porter might cost about £15,000, and about £20,000 for two bedrooms and sea views. Small detached villas cost from £35,000; those with three bedrooms and a private pool from £80,000. Elsewhere, two-bedroom flats fetch between £35,000 and £45,000.

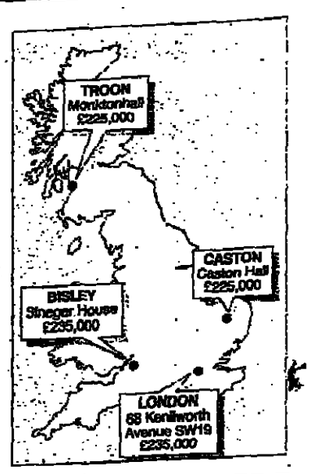
Larger, more opulent houses, with three or four bedrooms, landscaped gardens and a swimming pool, start at £120,000 in residential estates such as San Jaime and Santo Thomas, situated on the beautiful two-mile-long Son Bou beach, in the south of the island.

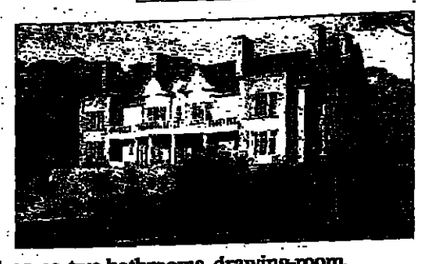
Provided you enjoy the quiet life, Minorca is ideal. The island is particularly suitable for those considering retirement and for families with young children seeking a holiday home. But the rather sedate pace of life, with only seasonal scheduled flights to anywhere other than the Spanish mainland, is not for the jet-setters.

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Gloucestershire: Sinegar House, Bisley, near Stroud. Grade II listed house, with mature gardens in a Cotswold village. Five bedrooms, two bathrooms (one en suite), two reception rooms, kitchen/ breakfast-room, utility room. About £235,000 (Jackson-Stops & Staff, 0285 653334).

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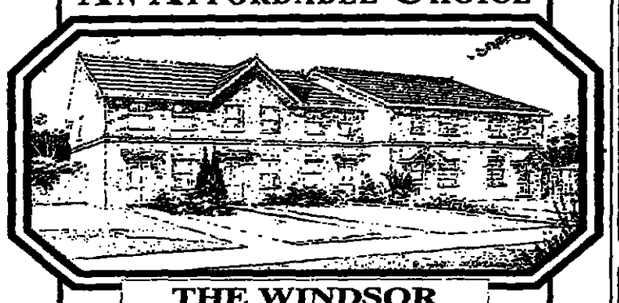
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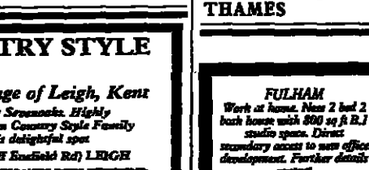
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COMEDIANS: Tim McInnerny plays the bitter comic in a well-staged revival of Trevor Griffiths's play. Last week.
Lyric Hammersmith, King Street, W6 (081-741 2311). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed, 2.30pm, Sat, 4pm.

CRAZY FOR YOU: Thrilling version of Gershwin's *Girl Crazy*.
Prince Edward, Old Compton Street, W1 (071-734 8951). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 3pm.

THE DEVIL'S ONLY SLEEPING: Nick Stafford's murky Greek tragedy for the 1990s.
Cockpit, Gateforth Street, NW8 (071-402 5081). Previews Tues, Wed 8pm. Opens Thurs, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat, 8pm. Until Aug 14.



Nigel Hawthorne in *The Madness of George III*

GREASE: Back to the Fifties with Craig McLachlan in the lead role.
Dominion, Tottenham Court Road, W1 (071-580 8845). Mon-Sat 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 3pm.

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST: Maggie Smith stars in this elegant revival. Last week.
Aldwych, The Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm.

JUNO AND THE PAYCOCK: Return of the acclaimed Gate Theatre, Dublin, production after its run at the Albery.
Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-876 1116). Mon-Sat 7.45pm, mats Wed (July 28, Aug 4, 11 only), 2.30pm and Sat, 2.30pm.

THE LAST YANKEE: Subtle and touching Arthur Miller premiere: Margot Leicester, Peter Davison lead a quartet of troubled Americans.
Duke of York's, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 5pm.

LUST: The Heather Brothers put *The Country Wife* to music: 21 numbers and Denis Lawson as the rake.
Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 5pm.

LYSISTRATA: Geraldine James in Peter Hall's production where organs and actions are called by their proper (improper?) names and the men sport rampant, rubber phalluses.
Old Vic, Waterloo Road, SE1 (071-928 7616). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm.

MACBETH: An idiosyncratic performance by Alan Howard in Richard Eyre's production.
National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, tomorrow, Tues, Weds, 7.15pm, mat today, Tues, 2pm.

THE MADNESS OF GEORGE III: Revival of Alan Bennett's clever play. Nigel Hawthorne returns with the performance of his life.
National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Preview tonight, 7.30pm. Then in repertoire.

MARVIN'S ROOM: Alison Steadman and Phyllis Logan, with Carmel McSharry in an award-winning dark comedy by Scott McPherson: a woman in need calls upon her estranged sister.
Hampstead, Swiss Cottage Centre, NW3 (071-722 9301). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm.

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING: Shakespeare on Shaftesbury Avenue, with Mark Rylance and Janet McTeer, proves funnier and friendlier than many a subsidised production.
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POUNDING NAILS INTO THE FLOOR WITH MY FOREHEAD: Eric Bogosian offers a tour round the dark corners of the male psyche. Six performances only.
Almeida, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404). Tues to Fri, 8pm, next Sat 8pm and 10pm.

SEPARATE TABLES: Peter Bowles, Patricia Hodge tap heart-felt emotions in Peter Hall's welcome revival of Rattigan.
Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm.

SUNSET BOULEVARD: Triumph for Patti Lupone as the faded star in Lloyd-Webber's success; less cynical than the Wilder film but a thrilling occasion.
Adelphi Theatre, Strand, WC2 (071-344 0055). Mon-Sat, 8pm.

UNDER THE STARS: Pam Ferris and Connie Booth in the prolific Richard Crane's new comedy: two understudies wonder if their leading ladies will ever drop dead.
Greenwich, Crooms Hill, SE10 (081-858 7755). Previews from Thurs, 7.45pm. Opens July 26, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, Mats Sat, 2.30pm. Until Aug 28.

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ABERDEEN: *Hot Stuff*, Paul Kenyson's money-spinning new musical, en route to London. The glam, glitter and punk of the 1970s.
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LEEDS: Dilys Lane, Ann Pennold, Richard Mayes in premiere of *Father's Day* commissioned from Maureen Lawrence: mother and daughter look after the head of the family, once all-powerful, now senile.
Courtyard Theatre, West Yorkshire Playhouse, Quarry Hill Mount (0532 442111). Previews from Thurs, 7.45pm. Opens July 27, 7.45pm. Then Mon-Sat, 7.45pm. Mats Sat (July 31, Aug 14), 4pm. Until Aug 21.

LIVERPOOL: Roy Orbison look-alike and sound-alike, Larry Branson, stars in musical bio of "the Big O", *Only the Lonely*.
Playhouse, Williamson Square (051-709 8363). Previews from Thurs, 7.30pm. Opens July 26, 7.30pm. Then Mon-Thurs, 7.30pm, Fri and Sat, 8pm. Mats Wed, 2.30pm and Sat, 4pm. Until Aug 28.

FILM

BARAKA (PG): A perfect coffee table book of a film, surveying the world's miseries and wonders from Kuwait to Kathmandu. Director-photographer, Ron Frick.
MGM Haymarket (071-839 1527).

BENNY & JOON (12): Zany love story ultimately choked by whimsy, starring Johnny Depp, Mary Stuart Masterson and Aidan Quinn; director, Jeremiah Chechik.
MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Plaza** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

CLIFFHANGER (15): Sylvester Stallone tangles with John Lithgow's baddies high in the Rockies. Pitiful dialogue, but non-stop action. Renny Harlin directed.
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UN COEUR EN HIVER (12): Love, sly games and damaged friendships between two instrument makers and a young violinist. Wonderfully observant, delicate drama from Claude Sautet.
MGM Swiss Centre (071-439 4470) **Renoir** (071-837 8402) **Screen on Baker Street** (071-935 2772).

EQUINOX (15): Alan Rudolph's intoxicating tale of lost souls in a crumbling metropolis, jam-packed with visual magic. With Matthew Modine, Lara Flynn Boyle.
MGM Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6148) **Metro** (071-437 0757).

JURASSIC PARK (PG): Michael Crichton's best-seller becomes a clumsy vehicle for rampaging dinos and superior special effects. Sam Neill, Laura Dern, Richard Attenborough. Director, Steven Spielberg.
Barbican (071-638 8891) **Camden Parkway** (071-267 7034) **Empire** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Plaza** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **Screen on the Green** (071-226 3520) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

MAD DOG AND GLORY (15): Gangster Bill Murray rewards forlorn drudge Robert De Niro by giving him Uma Thurman for a week. Bewitching off-beat comic romance; director, John McNaughton.
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MAP OF THE HUMAN HEART (15): A love triangle jumps across years, continents and cultures. Visually bracing but muddled drama from cinematic explorer Vincent Ward. With Jason Scott Lee, Patrick Bergin, Anne Parillaud.
Lumière (071-836 0691).

MEDITERRANEO (15): Misfit soldiers forget the second world war on a Greek island outpost. Affectionate, well-acted, light as air. Director, Gabriele Salvatore.
Curzon Phoenix (071-240 9661).

SAVAGE NIGHTS (18): A frenzied love story and an HIV-positive hero, based on the film's deceased writer-director-star, Cyril Collard.
Camden Plaza (071-485 2443) **Chelsea** (071-351 3742/3743) **Gate** (071-727 4043) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148).

SUPER MARIO BROS (PG): Video game stars penetrate a parallel universe of reptilian thugs. Ponderous, excessive extravaganza, with Bob Hoskins, Dennis Hopper. Directors, Rocky Morton and Annabel Jankel.
MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Leicester Square** (0426 915683) **Marble Arch** (0426 914501) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

THE STORY OF QIU JU (12): Chinese stylist Zhang Yimou charges back with a wonderful, simple film about a peasant woman (Gong Li) seeking justice. The top prizewinner at last year's Venice festival.
Renoir (071-837 8402).

SURE FIRE: Family discord in Utah. Harsh, rigorous 1990 feature from prolific US independent, Jon Jost.
ICA (071-930 3647).

THREE OF HEARTS (18): Can William Baldwin win back Kelly Lynch's bisexual girlfriend? Who cares? Timidly daring romantic souffle. With Sherilyn Fenn; director, Yurek Bogayevicz.
Odeons: Haymarket (0426 915353) **Kensington** (0426 914666).



Birthday: Laura Dern and Sam Neill in *Jurassic Park*

RED ROCK WEST (15): Enjoyable thriller, with Nicolas Cage sucked into a whirlpool of greed and deceit; director, John Dahl.
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DANCE

KIROV BALLET: Two of the most entertaining full-length ballets in the Russian repertoire are on offer this week. *La Bayadère*, with its breathtaking "Kingdom of the Shades" scene, should afford an opportunity to see the superb Kirov corps de ballet at its best. *Le Corsaire*, on the other hand, is filled with technical virtuosity for its principals, and even the ridiculous story cannot spoil the fun. Later in the week comes the supreme classicism of *The Sleeping Beauty*.
Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London, WC2 (071-836 3161), today (*La Bayadère*), 2p and 7.30pm; Mon-Wed (*Le Corsaire*), 7.30pm; Thurs-next Sat (*Sleeping Beauty*), 7.30pm.

REGINE CHOPINOT DANCE COMPANY: This French troupe makes its British debut with a programme of work by Richard Alston, one of Britain's leading contemporary choreographers (and until recently artistic director of Rambert Dance Company). The double-bill includes Alston's most recent work, *Le Marteau sans maître*, commissioned by the Chopinot company and set to Boulez's seminal score, and *Rainbow Bandit*, which Alston made for LCDT in 1977.
Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London, SE1 (071-928 8800), tomorrow, Mon, 8pm.



Bright lights: Connie Booth (left) and Pam Ferris in *Under the Stars* (see Theatre)

MUSIC

CLASSICAL

PROMS: The first of this year's BBC commissions is premiered on Monday, when the BBC Symphony Orchestra under Andrew Davis performs John Buller's *Bacchae Metrics*, an instrumental work based on the rhythmic and metrical structures the composer explored in his Euripides-based opera for ENO last year. The programme also includes works by Delius (*A Song of Summer*), Elgar (Cello Concerto, with Paul Watkins) and Tippett (Symphony No 4).
Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London, SW7 (071-589 8212), Mon, 7.30pm.

KRONOS QUARTET: Fashionable string quartet hosts its own five-day festival. The music on offer includes works by Gorecki, Kancheli, Arvo Pärt and Sofia Gubaidulina (Fri, 7.30pm); Kronos commissions from American composers such as Philip Glass, Henry Cowell and John Zorn (Wed, 7.30pm); and typically eclectic collaborations with saxophonist Steve Lacy and the Thomas Mapfumo Band (next Sat, 7.30pm).
Barbican, Silk Street, London, EC2 (071-638 8891), Wed to next Sat.

MELTDOWN: Described as "an explosion of music, dance, film and performance, this week-long South Bank festival of "the dangerously interesting", takes place under the artistic direction of the composer George Benjamin. Musical highlights include a concert by the LPO in which Franz Welser-Möst conducts works by Messiaen and Alexander Goehr; and Benjamin conducts a new work of his own (Wed, QEH, 8pm); and the premiere of ChaplinOperas by Benedict Mason, performed by the Ensemble Modern under Markus Stenz to accompany a showing of three Chaplin films (QEH, next Saturday, 8pm).
South Bank, London, SE1 (071-928 8800), until next Sun.

OPERA

IPHIGENIE EN TAURIDE: The English Bach Festival celebrates its 30th anniversary with a revival of one of its greatest successes, its period-style staging of Gluck's masterpiece, *Iphigénie en Tauride*. Mark Minkowski conducts. Jennifer Smith sings the title role; Francois Le Roux is Oreste, Donald Maxwell, Thoas.
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London, WC2 (071-240 1066/1911), tomorrow, 7pm.

THE MERRY WIDOW: Lehár's operetta is the third work in Glyndebourne's season in temporary exile on the South Bank. Franz Welser-Möst conducts the LPO and a strong cast which includes Carol Vaness and Thomas Hampson. Tom Stoppard has supplied a new English narration for these concert performances (which are sung in German), to be delivered by Dirk Bogarde.
Festival Hall, South Bank, London, SE1 (071-926 8800), until next Sun.

JAZZ

JAZZ WARRIORS: This vibrant and youthful 20-piece band has gained a reputation both in its own right and as a jumping off point for black artists including Courtney Pine and Orphy Robinson.
Jazz Cafe, London, NW1 (071-916 6000), Fri, 7pm.

COMPANY WEEK 93: Organised by the defiantly abstract guitarist Derek Bailey, this annual festival of improvising jazz musicians this year features pianist Nick Couldry, baritone Alan Wilkinson and vocal intrepetor of Brecht and Blake, Phil Minton.
Place Theatre, London, WC1 (071-387 0031), Tues to next Sat, 7.30pm.

ROCK

RAINER: The enigmatic guitarist from the Arizona desert has become something of a cult sensation since his haunting blues performances in London last autumn. He also plays at Phoenix 1993 tomorrow.
Crondall, nr Farnham, Surrey, The Pit (0252 850789). Tues, 7.30pm. **Luddesdown,** nr Kingsbridge, S. Devon, Hazelwood (0548 821232), Wed, 8pm.

WOMAD: Though Womad experienced difficult times last year, the festivals live on. The Reading event brings together artists from some 30 countries including King Sunny Ade, Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan, Richard Thompson and Remmy Ongala.
Rivermead, Reading (0734 591591), today and tomorrow, midday-midnight.

13-YEAR ITCH: The record label 4AD celebrates its 13th anniversary with a six-day multi-media festival featuring a fine collection of their offbeat but melodic indie bands. Highlights include Kristin Hersh and Pale Saints (Mon, 8pm), Bebe Serveart and Underground Lovers (Wed, 8pm) and Red House Painters and Insides (Thurs, 8pm).
ICA, London, SW1 (071-930 3647), Mon to next Sat.



Itch to play: Kristin Hersh, from Throwing Muses

PHOENIX 1993: This heavyweight new festival features bands including Faith No More, The Black Crowes, Manic Street Preachers, and on the jazz stage, Gil Scott-Heron.
Long Marston Airfield, nr Stratford-upon-Avon (071-284 4111), today, 11am-11.30pm and tomorrow, midday-10.30pm.

EXHIBITIONS

LONDON

ARATJARA: The title means "The Messenger" in one of the innumerable Australian aboriginal languages, and the message this show brings is that aboriginal arts are alive and well and burgeoning into the 21st century. This is very much contemporary aboriginal art, which may use traditional form but is more likely to reinterpret traditional images in modern media like acrylic on canvas. Most absorbing are the "pointilliste" paintings from the Western Desert, which reconstitute geographical/mythical dreamings in a complexly modern form.
Hayward Gallery, South Bank, SE1, (071-261 0127). Daily 10am-6pm (Tues-Wed to 8pm). Fri to Oct 10.

ALAN DAVIE. The Scottish painter, now 73, first came to prominence in the Fifties with a series of free-form abstract paintings very much in the more advanced spirit of the times. Since then he has ploughed a solitary furrow, making work which is symbolic rather than abstract, using images drawn from his interests in esoteric religion and Zen Buddhism. This the first London retrospective since 1958.
Barbican Art Gallery, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 4141). Mon, Wed-Sat, 10am-qi 6.45pm, Tues, 10am-5.45pm, Sun, midday-6.45pm, until Sept 5.

BURNE-JONES — WATERCOLOURS AND DRAWINGS: After a period of neglect, Edward Burne-Jones is receiving increasing critical attention these days. Virtually self-taught, he belongs to the second, more openly symbolist phase of pre-Raphaelitism, and has many connections with the Arts and Crafts movement. This show surveys his career.
Tate Gallery, Millbank, London, SW1 (071-821 1313). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.50pm, Sun, 2-5.50pm, until Nov 7.

PICTURES IN PICTURES: The second of the National Gallery's new series of small shows, "Themes and Variations", draws on the gallery's collection to indicate the different ways a variety of painters from Vermeer to Degas have used pictures as props in interiors they were depicting.
National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, London, WC2 (071-839 3321). Mon-Sat, 10am-6pm (Wed to 8pm), Sun, 2-6pm, until Sept 19.

PARIS POST WAR — ART AND EXISTENTIALISM 1945-55: The heady atmosphere of Paris immediately after the second world war is evoked in a show which centres particularly on the work of Alberto Giacometti and Wols, both foreigners who became part of the Ecole de Paris.
Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SW1 (071-821 1313). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.50pm, Sun, 2-5.50pm, until September 5.

PISSARRO — THE IMPRESSIONIST AND THE CITY: In the last decade of his life (1893-1903) Pissarro virtually forsook the rural themes of his earlier work for an extended consideration of the Paris street scene. This show of more than 60 paintings argues that Pissarro painted in series.
Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, W1 (071-439 7438) Daily, 10am-8pm, until Oct 10.

REGIONAL

FROM VIEW TO VISION: The Whitworth Art Gallery's important contribution to the Year of the Watercolour is, properly enough, a selection from its own excellent collection from 1750 to 1850, *Sandby to late Turner*.
Whitworth Art Gallery, University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester (061-273 4865). Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm (Thurs to 9pm), until Oct 2.

GEORGE WALTON: Though usually overshadowed by his great contemporary, Charles Rennie Mackintosh, Walton (1867-1933) was a considerable architect and designer of interiors, furniture and fabrics. This is the first extensive show of his work.
Art Gallery and Museum, Kelvingrove, Glasgow (041-357 3929). Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun, 11am-5pm, until Sept 19.

MY IMAGINATION TOOK A JOURNEY: The Fitzwilliam has one of the world's largest holdings of drawings by George Romney. Though he is remembered for his portraits, his drawings take us into a far different world, full of *Sturm und Drang*.
Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge (0223 332900). Tues-Fri, 2-5pm, Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun, 2.15-5pm, until Sept 19.

THE 1953 SHOW: An exhibition evoking the distant days of Coronation year (and the triumphant end of sweets rationing) in order to examine the relations between the media and the Crown.
National Museum of Photograph, Film and Television, Picturevile, Bradford (0274 727488). Tues-Sun, 10.30am-6.30pm, until Oct 2.

BOOKINGS

WEXFORD FESTIVAL: Rare treats for opera enthusiasts this year include Tchaikovsky's comic fantasy *Cherevichki* (*The Tsarina's Slippers*), based on Gogol's fairy tale *Christmas Eve* (Oct 14, 17, 20, 23, 26, 29); *Il Barbiere di Siviglia* by Giovanni Paisiello, one of the most important and influential opera composers of the late 18th century (Oct 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 30); and *Zampa* by the Parisian Ferdinand Hérold, born in the year Mozart died.
Box Office, Theatre Royal, High Street, Wexford, Ireland (booking and enquiries: 010 353 53 22144).

MADONNA — THE GIRLIE SHOW: Madonna will be returning to England for the first time in three years in September, when she will open her world tour in London. "The Girlie Show" sold out immediately but a second date has been added to the original single performance, so there may still be a chance to book tickets. The live set is to feature material from her latest album, *Erotica*.
Wembley Stadium, Middlesex (081-982 6699 for reserved seating/ 081-900 1234 for credit card bookings). Sept 26, gates open 4.30pm.

THE IRON MAN: Pete Townshend's new rock opera will be given its world premiere by the Young Vic company this Christmas. Townshend provides the music, libretto and direction, working with David Thacker, his last production with the company before taking up his post as director-in-residence at the Royal Shakespeare Company. The opera is adapted from Ted Hughes's modern fairy tale of the same name, Hughes's sequel, *The Iron Woman*, is published in September.
The Young Vic, 66 The Cut, London, SE1 (071-928 6363). Previews from Nov 18; opens Nov 25, 7pm. Variously at 11am, 1.30pm, 2.30pm and 7pm.

NEW VIDEOS

DAMAGE (Entertainment Video, 18). MP Jeremy Irons pursues a destructive affair with his son's fiancée (Juliette Binoche). Riveting version of Josephine Hart's novel, coolly directed by Louis Malle 1992.



Regrets: Juliette Binoche, Jeremy Irons in *Damage*

DEATH BECOMES HER (Universal, PG): Meryl Streep and Goldie Hawn as arch rivals barring to attain eternal youth. An ice-cold black comedy, swamped by special effects. Director, Robert Zemeckis. 1992.

MAN BITES DOG (Tartan, 18): Film crew follows loquacious killer on his rounds. Cheeky and callous conceit spread too thin by new Belgian film-makers Rémy Belvaux, André Bonzel and Benoît Poelvoorde. 1992.

THE PUBLIC EYE (Universal, 15): Life, times and longings of a Weegee-esque tabloid photographer in the 1940s (Joe Pesci). A fascinating subject from writer-director Howard Franklin, but a vital spark is missing. 1992.

Film: Geoff Brown; Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; Classical Music and Opera: Gwen Hughes; Rock and Jazz: Stephanie Osborne; Dance: Debra Craine; Exhibitions: John Russell Taylor; New Videos: Geoff Brown; Bookings: Sara Yelland

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PALAMON
(c) One of the two young men at the heart of *The Two Noble Kinsmen*, Palamon is by far the more romantic. He is all absolutes, at one moment asking his cousin "Is there record of any two that loved / Better than we do, Arcite?", and the next snapping his head off for breathing.

DOUGLAS
(b) Archibald, Earl of Douglas, in *Henry IV, Part One*. A fiery Scots nobleman, a rebel against King Henry, Rants about on the battlefield at Shrewsbury, killing anyone he takes for the king; duels with Falstaff (who fakes death); is arrested after Shrewsbury, and is set free because of his chivalry and valour.

LAUNCE
(b) Proteus's clownish servant in *The Two Gentlemen of Verona*, a lugubrious youth whose life is spent either joking with his jolly fellow-servant Speed or mournfully contemplating his mongrel dog that lives". He behaves more like Crab, "the sourest-natured dog that lives". He behaves more like Crab's straight man than his master. When Speed asks, about Proteus and Julia, 'Tell me true, will't be a match?' he answers 'Ask my dog. If he say ay, it will; if it say no, it will; if he shake his tail and say nothing it will."

PHILARIO
(a) An Italian friend of Posthumus's father in *Cymbeline*. Posthumus, when exiled to Italy, lodges with him, and at his house first meets Iachimo. He speaks about 20 lines: he is agreeable and hospitable, no more.

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OPERA

Pretender claims another hearing

Dimitrij
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DVORAK'S 1882 grand opera, *Dimitrij*, takes up where Mussorgsky's *Boris Godunov* (which Dvořák did not know) leaves off. Against a public backdrop of conflict between Russian and Pole, vividly rendered in stirring choral scenes, a compelling series of lyrical private dramas unfolds — the pretender Dimitrij's love for Boris's unhappy daughter, Xenia; the anger and anguish of Marina, Dimitrij's Polish wife; the doubts of Marfa, Ivan the Terrible's widow, faced with Dimitrij's claim to be her son.

Dimitrij had to wait until 1979 for a British premiere in the form of a production at Nottingham University. The conductor on that occasion was Russell Keable, then a student. Fourteen years later, with this concert performance in which the accomplished amateurs of the Kensington Symphony Orchestra were joined by the Vasari Singers, the Elysian Singers and a team of professional soloists, he gave the work its first hearing in London.

Graeme Matheson-Bruce, Dimitrij in Nottingham in 1979, repeated the challenging title role in this performance. Behind the character's conceited bluster there is an awkward, lyrical nobility, but it rarely emerged in this brash *fortissimo* account. Maria Moll's brazen Marina matched her errant husband, sacrificing emotional complexity to spurious aggression.

The rest of the cast took a more considered approach, with Bronwen Mills quietly dignified as the unfortunate Xenia, and Peter Savidge, Stephen Holloway and Tom McVeigh solidly in command of the lower registers as a strong supporting trio of prince, prelate and soldier. The real glory, however, was Pauline Tinsley's affecting Marfa. Tinsley may not have quite the voice she once had, but what remains would be more than enough for many lesser singers, and it was here deployed with formidable insight and commitment.

The choral contributions, on which so much depends, were disciplined and lively, and while things were not always tidy in the orchestra, Keable conducted with a palpable enthusiasm that was shared by his players. He deserves full credit for championing this unjustly neglected opera, and for giving a persuasive account of its demanding and rewarding score.

IAN BRUNSKILL

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"If you do get scared, tell yourself: It's only a film! That's what I said to my dad, because he was scared"
(Tom, 10¼)

"It was not as good as I thought it was going to be. I think there had been too much hype"
(Maisie, 8¾)

"I didn't find it scary enough. The funny parts and wisecracks made it less scary"
(Aliya, 11¾)

Jurassic Park: youngsters give their verdict, alongside grown-up critics — in The Culture, The Sunday Times tomorrow


DENZIL MCNEELANCE

A change of style at ENB: "I'm in the studio all the time," says Derek Deane. "I've made it very clear that I'm not going to direct the company from behind a desk"

Bold steps can stop the rot

English National Ballet's new artistic director, Derek Deane, talks to **Debra Craine** as the company prepares to re-open the Savoy Theatre

One of the first things Derek Deane did was to have his office repainted. Out went the mouldy green of his predecessor; in came a deep terracotta that instantly transformed the modest room into an elegant and inviting space. A style manifesto, perhaps, but also a signal that things have changed at English National Ballet.

For the past three years, under the leadership of Ivan Nagy, Britain's second-biggest ballet company had been drifting into mediocrity and complacency. Performance standards were low; decisions about repertoire seemingly uninspired. Yet when Derek Deane's appointment as artistic director was announced in March, there were murmurings of doubt in the dance world.

Despite having spent two years at the Rome Opera Ballet as deputy artistic director and resident choreographer, the 18-year veteran of the Royal Ballet was better known as a fashionable dancer-about-town and regular escort to Princess Margaret. His qualifications were said to consist of a bulging Filofax and the right table manners. He had never run a company before; his reputation as a choreographer was still to be made. But something obviously convinced ENB's board of directors and its advisory panel that here was the man to lift the company out of its near fatal malaise.

"What impressed them all was that he was the only candidate who came in with a plan and a vision of what he wanted the company to be," says Lady Harlech, ENB's chairman. "And he can get to people in the ballet world, he has contacts, something which hadn't been going on for three years. He knows how to get things done, and he wants the best for this company.

"Nobody knew what Ivan wanted; there was no communication. Morale is much higher now. The dancers know they're going to be much better; they know the rep is going to be much better. They are excited, they are going around with smiles on their faces and so am I."

Deane has quickly established a leadership profile: teaching company class, attending rehearsals, maintaining a communications link with his dancers. "A great lack of discipline has seeped into the company, and that's not too slowly being changed," the 39-year-old director says. "I'm in the studio all the time. I've made it very clear that I'm not going to direct the company from behind a desk.

"When I arrived there was a swimming atmosphere, like everybody was in a swimming pool but without being able to find a way out. Everybody was swimming in different directions but not really knowing where they were going. Obviously that's due to lack of leadership; the job wasn't done terribly well and that showed in the performances. So it's my job to change that."

The personnel is also being changed. About a dozen dancers have left, not all of them at their own choosing, and Deane is bringing in new faces. "I feel that the standard right through the company has to improve." There will be new principals, new soloists and new additions to the corps, as well as more guest artists. Dancers are being hired from Roland Petit's company, from New York City Ballet and from the Kirov. One hiring Deane is particularly proud of is Cecilia Kerche: "I call her the Brazilian Sylvie Guillem. She's phenomenal, absolutely stunning, and she's never been seen in Europe before."

Decisions about the repertoire are perhaps harder to take. What does he have in mind? He is on the lookout for young choreographers — Mauro Bigonzetti from Italy is already commissioned — and unlikely collaborators like the German avant-gardist Pina Bausch — "She's very, very keen, it would be the first time she's done a piece outside her own company." And Christopher Dean — he of Torvill and Dean fame — is pencilled in to create his first non-skating ballet for ENB the season after next. "If you do a Christopher Dean piece into a Balanchine and finish with Bausch, well you've got quite a triple bill," says Deane. You certainly do.

He also wants to honour the late Rudolf Nureyev, so 1995 will see both a revival of the Nureyev *Romeo and Juliet* and the acquisition of his *Don Quixote*. As for Deane's own choreographic intentions, they remain humble for the time being: only a new production of *Giselle* for the autumn of 1994, although his 1982 *Impromptu* pas de deux was performed on ENB's recent foreign tour.

Next week ENB is back in London for its annual summer showcase, this time being held in the newly-refurbished Savoy Theatre. The week-long season opens on Monday night with a royal gala performance in the presence of the Princess of Wales. The programme offers the classical grandeur of the Grand Pas Classique from *Raymonda*; the percussive high energy of Olga Roriz's new commission, the all-male *The Seven Silences of Salome*; and the premiere of Wayne Sleep's salute to Gilbert and Sullivan, *The Savoy Suite*.

The company has just returned from a 28,000-mile jaunt to South America, Athens and Mexico. If Deane has his way, the 64 dancers will soon be clocking up even more air miles. "The company has slightly lost its credibility abroad over the past few years and that needs to be rejuvenated. This company used to be, and still has the possibility to be, one of the best — or the best — touring classical company."

With all of his plans, though, is Deane worried that he won't have the time to see them through? After all, his chairman has already dispatched two artistic directors in the past three years — Nagy and Peter Schaufuss. But Deane is different from his predecessors in one important respect. He knows what he is getting into because he and Lady Harlech have been close friends for years. Not surprisingly, he is the first to defend her against the fearsome image she has in some sections of the tabloid press.

"People need to start looking at the good things she's done for the company from behind the scenes: the deficit, the sponsorship work, bringing a lot of interest on the financial side into the company. They just want gossip and scandal because it sells newspapers.

"Number three on the hit list? I'm not worried. That's up to me, isn't it. And as long as I see improvement, as long as I see standards getting higher, dance technique getting higher, as long as I see those things no matter how slow they are I'll be very pleased. If I stop seeing those things then I'm not doing my job very well."

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THEATRE: **Benedict Nightingale** reviews a revival of *Grease* at the Dominion

Tapping nostalgia and feet

"OH FOR an hour of Herod," remarked the novelist Anthony Hope as he left the premiere of *Peter Pan*. It would have been in still poorer taste to walk out of this revival of *Grease* making a similar call on the time of Jeffrey Dahmer, the well-known American serial killer; and of course I did not do so.

Nevertheless, I thought it a pity that the only character who displayed any lack of enthusiasm for those bopping adolescents was a tweedy schoolmarm who stalked across the stage letting slip a couple of starchy words — and even she eventually landed up on the dance floor, happily jiving with the class nerd.

That view was not, however, shared by the first-night audience, who greeted the show — no, not like a long-lost friend, more like a celebrity that had shut himself for too long from his adoring public. They whooped and whistled and clapped, equally delighted by the boys' leather jackets and oily quiffs, the girls' cheerleader outfits, Jim Jacobs's and Warren Casey's pastiche 1950s songs, and David Gilmore's fulsome production numbers.

Oh well, why not? Even if the lyrics are inaudible, the music is catchy. Even if they are overmiked, the cast has plenty of energy, and dances well. And even your curmudgeonly critic found his feet tapping when the lads started clattering around on the roof of a car that looked like an art-deco pike with rocket boosters, or the lasses banged about a shimmering burger palace, or both sexes strutted their stuff at that ghastly institution, the high-school prom.

DONALD COOPER


Innocent duo: Craig McLachlan and Debbie Gibson

Indeed, the evening would be quite enjoyable, had its creators stuck to animated doo-wop. But they package their rock and their roll in a story that, if I remember the original London production rightly, seemed pretty skimpy even when Richard Gere was playing the romantic lead.

Danny loves Sandy and Sandy loves Danny, but Danny does not think it cool to display his love for Sally in front of his macho mates, nor is Sandy very understanding when he starts making awkward passes at her. Craig McLachlan, Danny to Debbie Gibson's demure Sandy, gets the odd laugh when he suppresses his boyish excitement and adopts the mandatory sneer and slouch; but neither brings much tension, feeling or fun to their pairing. Also, McLachlan's hair is short, curly and clean-looking, making nonsense of the show's title as well as his friends' fear he'll get a crew-cut.

In some ways, the most striking thing about *Grease* is its innocence. These kids don't shoot crack, carry guns into the classroom or even play truant. For girls, "fast" behaviour consists of inhaling a cig, drinking a little sweet wine, getting one's ears pierced, and temporarily resisting the urge to become Doris Day. For boys, it is getting some wheels and having a bit of a snog at the drive-in movies. The pregnancy that at one moment threatens to occur turns out to be a false alarm. Good old 1950s. When will we see their like again?

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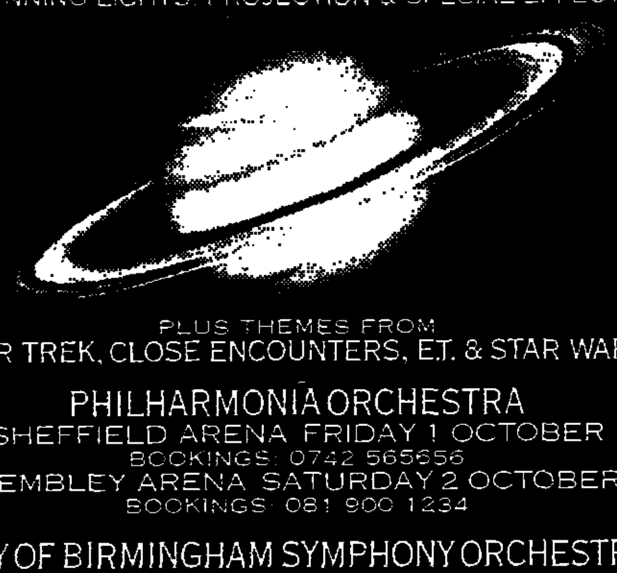
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7.00 Ceefax (6367901)
7.25 News and weather (6526678)
7.30 Pinocchio (r) (4628901) **7.50 The All New Popeye Show** (r) (4648765)
8.10 McGee and Me. The first of a new series about a mischievous boy, mixing animation with live action (6744901) **8.35 Potsworth & Co** (r) (7180185)
9.00 Parallel 9. Young people's entertainment magazine (s) (88656920)
10.55 Film: Lassie — The New Beginning (1978) starring John Reilly, Lee Bryant and Gene Evans. Children's adventure in which the brave collie helps two youngsters, *taken into care after the death of* their aunt, to be reunited with their uncle. Directed by Don Chaffey (96183272)
12.27 Weather (7391765)
12.30 Grandstand introduced by Steve Rider. The line-up is (subject to alteration): **12.35** (3284611), **1.05** (13894017), **1.35** (72932475), **2.05** (48074185) and **2.35** (98935524) Golf: live coverage of the third round of the Open Championship from Sandwich, Kent; **1.00** News (87883678); **1.25** (87868369), **1.55** (67074901) and **2.25** (65776765) Racing from Newbury
5.15 News with Jennie Bond. (Ceefax) Weather (6930562)
5.25 Regional News and sport (4721524)
5.30 The Flintstones Cartoon series about the famous stone age family. (Ceefax) (949104)
5.55 Jim'll Fix It. Among those for whom Sir Jimmie makes dreams comes true are a 14-year-old to interview *Neighbours* twins Gayle and Gillian Blakeney for *Fast Forward* magazine; and a 13-year-old to join her father, who is a member of a mountain rescue team, on an exercise. (Ceefax) (s) (964765)
6.30 The Main Event. Frantic home and studio-based quiz game. In this last heat before next week's final the Jenkins family are helped by newsreaders Lisa Aziz, Richard Whitmore and Fiona Armstrong; the Woods are aided by the stars of *Get Back*, Larry Lamb, Carol Harrison and Ray Winstone. (Ceefax) (s) (187814)
7.20 Open All Hours. Classic comedy starring Ronnie Barker as Arkwright, a miserly northern shopkeeper, and David Jason as his put-upon nephew and assistant (r). (Ceefax) (552920)
7.50 Birds of a Feather. While Dorien tackles an Open University course, Tracey is having trouble coping with the university of life (r). (Ceefax) (s) (193299)

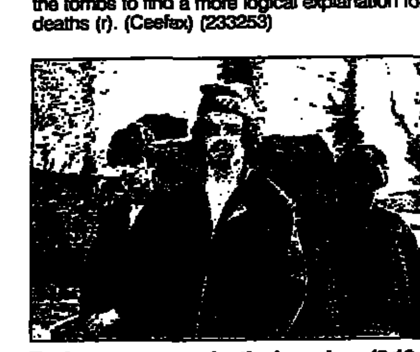


Smart ladies: Lombard and Gonet (8.20pm)

8.20 The House of Eliott. Stylish drama about a 1920s London fashion house, starring Stella Gonet and Louise Lombard (r). (Ceefax) (s) (235611)
9.10 Spender. A repeat of the first series of the drama starring Jimmy Nail as the unconventional Geordie policeman. (Ceefax) (228017)
10.05 News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Sport and weather (829678)
10.25 Film: Stranger Within (1990) starring Rick Schroder, Kate Jackson and Chris Sarandon. Clever psychological thriller about a young man who turns up on a widow's doorstep claiming that he is the son who was snatched from her 16 years earlier. She believes the story, but her boyfriend has his doubts. Directed by Tom Holland. (Ceefax) (357185)
12.00 Golf: the Open. Highlights of the third round (3668760) **12.45am Weather** (5102596)

BBC2

6.40 Open University: Small Farmers in Kenya (749340) **7.05** *Maths: Fibonacci Numbers* (6364814) **7.30** Physics: Phonons (3349036) **7.55** Questions of National Identity (1259123) **8.45** Art: The Leathart Collection (7177611) **9.10** Materials: Cast in the Right Mould (5646524) **9.35** Science: Fires of Life (6295340) **10.00** Pieter Bruegel and Popular Culture (4081253) **10.25** Psychology: Eyewitness Memory (9696369) **10.50** Women's Studies: Gendering the Product (5902456) **11.15** Age and Identity (4177630) **12.05** Brain and Behaviour: Seasonal Affective Disorder (4249630) **12.30** Managing Schools: Bridging the Gap (3283982) **12.55** Modern Art: Picasso's *Guernica* (5922017) **1.20** Money and Medicine (13897104) **1.45** The Cornflake Story (24787833) **2.10** The Tonga People of the Zambezi Valley (14046456) **2.35** Environment: Danish Energy (1385712)
3.00 Animation Now. *Felicity*, made by the National Film Board of Canada (s) (2514949)
3.10 Film: Caesar and Cleopatra (1945, b/w). See Choice (18299388)
5.15 Golf: The Open. Live coverage of the third round (43893562)
7.05 A Picture of Health? *The first of a series of four* programmes presented by two practising doctors and looking at how we feel about our health. It begins by exploring perceptions of chronic illness through the eyes of people with rheumatoid arthritis (561678)
7.35 News with Jennie Bond. (Ceefax) Sport and weather (313253)
7.50 Scrutiny presented by Huw Edwards. (Ceefax) (498681)
8.20 The Face of Tutankhamun. The fourth of five *Chronicle* films explores whether a curse was placed on the tomb. Rumour was rife after the death of Lord Carnarvon and eight others involved in the excavations, but modern scientists have measured the radiation levels of the mummies and the air in the tombs to find a more logical explanation for the deaths (r). (Ceefax) (233253)



To the sea: escape for the homeless (9.10pm)

9.10 Hope I Die Before I Get Old. (Ceefax) See Choice (122369)
10.10 The Second Heimat: A New Generation (colour and b/w). The concluding part of Edgar Reitz's epic drama of postwar Germany. It is 1970 and although his studio is a success, Hermann feels unfulfilled and makes for Heidelberg and then Amsterdam in pursuit of Clarissa. In German with English subtitles (591307)
12.10am Film: Mike's Murder (1984). Disappointing thriller starring Debra Winger as a bank clerk who *has an affair with a tennis coach* (Mark Keyloun) enjoying a mysteriously high standard of living. When he is murdered she uncovers his murky past. Directed by James Bridges, who died recently. (Ceefax) (473128)

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CHOICE

What You Lookin' At?
ITV, 5.30pm

A new situation comedy by Trix Worrell of *Desmond's* is a bright, fast-moving and energetic show about young people from various ethnic backgrounds whose common meeting ground is a south London youth club. The setting is realistic, the treatment jocular. The youngsters may come from broken homes, have little money and be tempted to steal. They run the gamut of a crabby middle-aged caretaker. But the troubles of the world are swamped by an invasive good humour. The main confrontation is between Jane (Trevyn McDowell), *the white youth leader, and Trevor* (Robert McKewley), a cheeky black 16-year-old. Typically, it is not conducted on racial lines.



Jaws: the monster craze explored (Ch4, 8.30pm)

Claws, Jaws and Dinosaurs
Channel 4, 8.30pm

A lighthearted contribution to Channel 4's *Dinomania* weekend looks at the enduring fascination with dinosaurs and tries to explain it. There is Bill Gibbons, who enlivens a dull surburban life in Kent by looking for dinosaurs in the Congo. He is convinced that the species still exists, though the film does not wait around long enough to ask him why. Nick and Jenny hunt for dinosaur remains on the Isle of Wight, while Mike Howgate shows off his splendid collection of dino memorabilia. An American expert with a Buffalo Bill hairstyle says: "We are only beginning to tap into the questions, let alone the answers". One of the questions is whether dinosaurs travelled with Noah in the ark. We meet a man who thinks they did.

Hope I Die Before I Get Old
BBC2, 9.10pm

The main innovation of Michael Russell's drama is that it was shot on a domestic camcorder. As well as achieving a naturalism difficult with more conventional methods, the experiment is intended as a *pointer to low-budget single plays with the accent on* new talent. This is represented here by three promising young actors Sharon Duncan-Brewster, Nick Moran and Dominic McHale. They play teenage friends who are evicted from their London squat and escape to the Norfolk coast, where they encounter a strange woman in a lonely farmhouse and reveal more about themselves. It is a fresh and intriguing scenario, which contains more than a hint of menace.

Caesar and Cleopatra
BBC2, 3.10pm

Cleopatra seems to put a jinx on film-makers. The fiasco of the Elizabeth Taylor epic is fresh in many memories but this version of the Shaw play ran into trouble just as deep. The star, Vivien Leigh, became pregnant and then suffered a miscarriage. Sand was shipped out to Egypt to match sand already used at the Denham studio. The director, Gabriel Pascal, was bitten by a camel. The cost, originally £250,000, soared to almost £1.3 million, making it the most expensive British picture to that date. And what of the film? It is good to look at and admirably acted, especially by Leigh and by Claude Rains as Caesar. But there is too much talk. **Peter Waymark**

ITV LONDON

6.00 GMTV (1582307)
9.25 Gimme 5. Children's entertainment
11.30 ITV Chart Show featuring Sonny and Cher with their 1965 hit "I Got You Babe" (s) (49340)
12.30 Opening Shot. The second of an eight-part arts series for children features creatures scaly and ancient. Not in that category, but being interviewed, is special effects king Ray Harryhausen (s) (87456)
1.00 News and weather (87878745) **1.05 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (87877017)
1.10 Movies, Games and Videos. A review of the latest films, videos and computer games (34950340)
1.40 The A-Team: The Big Squeeze. The quartet are hired to deal with a ruthless loan shark (r) (9003098)
2.30 WCW Worldwide Wrestling (614)
3.00 Athletics. Live coverage of the Panasonic AAA championships from Birmingham, introduced by Jim Rosenthal. The commentators are Alan Parry, Peter Matthews and Steve Ovett (55370618)
4.45 News and weather (4630814) **5.00 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (6937475)
5.10 Athletics. Further coverage of the Panasonic AAA championships from Birmingham featuring, the men's 800 metres (5863630)



At odds: McKewley (right), McDowell (5.30pm)

5.30 What You Lookin' At? (s) See Choice (630)
6.00 Beadle's About. Another collection of practical jokes played on unsuspecting members of the public by Jeremy Beadle (r) (543)
6.30 The Best of Tommy Cooper. Hysterical fun from the comic conjuror. (Teletext) (s) (123)
7.00 Stars in Their Eyes. Five more hopefuls try to emulate their look-alike pop heroes and heroines. Introduced by Matthew Kelly. (Teletext) (s) (4307)
7.30 The Upper Hand. Another repeat of the lame comedy about a male housekeeper with a female boss. Starring Joe McGann, Diana Weston and Honor Blackman (307)
8.00 The Bill: A Matter of Life and Death. Sgt Boyden investigates the case of an elderly man accused of beating up his wife. He discovers they were involved in a hit and run that resulted in a boy being killed and girl seriously injured. (Teletext) (8217)
8.30 London's Burning. Well-made drama series about the Blue Watch of a London fire station (r). (Teletext) (65123)
9.30 News and weather (376235)
9.50 Taggart: Evil Eye. A feature-length episode in which the dour Scottish detective investigates the link between the murder of a gypsy woman and the killing of a policeman. Starring Mark McManus (r). (Teletext) (38406017)
12.20am Film: The Rape of Richard Beck (1985) starring Richard Crenna. Strong drama about a tough detective who has to reassess his *chauvinistic attitude towards victims of sex crimes* when he is sexually assaulted by two men. Directed by Karen Arthur (576789)
2.10 The Big E. Magazine for young Europeans (s) (1152418)
3.05 It's Bizarre! A new chat show series presented by Linda Lusardi and Richard Brecker. The guests include psychic James Byrne and singer Steve Harley (8776128)
3.55 The New Music. An interview with Bob Mould from the group Sugar (4394906)
4.55 BPM. News, sounds and fashions from the dance music world (s) (6503654)
5.30 ITN Morning News (77321). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Wonderful Wizard of Oz. Animation (r) (s) (6712901) **6.25 Ovide.** Adventures of a duck-billed platypus (2869272) **6.40 Bobobobs.** Space-based cartoon series (7429036)
7.05 The Legend of White Fang. Animated series based on Jack London's canine hero (6245949) **7.35 Little Dracula.** Adventures of Dracula's ten-year-old son (3333475) **8.00 Betty's Bunch.** New Zealand drama serial (r) (1894920)
8.25 Sportraits. Profiles of the ice-skating duo Torvill and Dean and the former world champion racing car driver Niki Lauda (4121098)
9.00 News (1325920) **9.15 Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line** (8426630)
10.00 Trans World Sport (87017)
11.00 Gaelic Games presented by Jim Neilly. Highlights of the Leinster hurling final between the All-Ireland champions Kilkenny and improving Wexford (67253)
12.00 Sumo. Japanese wrestling series (r) (69562)
12.30 Kasak. Episode 12 of the 20-part Pakistani drama serial. In Urdu with English subtitles (85098)
1.00 Film: Son of Godzilla (1967). A daft Japanese contribution to the weekend's *Dinomania* strand. A *scientist's experiments* in weather control on a Pacific island leads to the creation of giant plants, huge insects and baby Godzilla. Starring Tadao Takashima, directed by Jun Fukuda (15493659)
2.35 Film: Case of the Mukkinese Battlehorn (1955, b/w) starring Peter Sellers, Spike Milligan and Dick Emery. A *Goons*-type comedy about Scotland Yard investigating the theft of a rare artefact from a museum. Directed by Joseph Sterling (6934562)
3.10 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket. Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the 3.15, 3.45, 4.15 and 4.45 races (37743253)
5.05 Brookside. *Omnibus edition (r). (Teletext)* (s) (5612727)
6.30 Dinomania: Opening Shot. The second in the children's arts series includes an interview with the Hollywood special effects maestro Ray Harryhausen (765)
7.00 The World This Week presented by Sheena McDonald (4659)
8.00 Tour de France. Phil Liggett introduces highlights from the Marseilles to Montpelier stage — a distance of 182.5km (8369)
8.30 Dinomania: Claws, Jaws and Dinosaurs. (Teletext) See Choice (63765)
9.30 Traffik. Episode four of the polished drug-smuggling drama, starring Bill Paterson and Lindsay Duncan (r). (Teletext) (4825253)



Searching for her son: Liv Ullmann (10.35pm)

10.35 Film: La Amiga (1988) starring Liv Ullman and Cipe Lincovsky. A powerful offering from the *Cinema Cinema!* about Argentina's "missing" and the efforts of the Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo to find their loved ones. It focuses on the relationship over four decades between two disparate women. In Spanish with English subtitles (28808920)
12.35am Evening Shade. Small-town America comedy series starring Burt Reynolds (r) (s) (8888321)
1.05 Dinomania: Rock Dinosaurs. The rock group Status Quo attempt to play four concerts in four cities within the space of 24 hours (r) (8879418). Ends at **2.10**

SATELLITE

SKY ONE

6.00am Car 54, Where Are You? (13017) **6.30** Rin Tin Tin (84455) **7.00** Fun Factory (8439456) **12.00** Wrestling Mania (46123) **1.00pm** Rich Man, Poor Man (22543) **2.00** Bewitched (4185) **2.30** The Facts Of Life (4825) **3.00** Cartoons (35543) **4.00** Dukes Of Hazzard (54678) **5.00** Wrestling Superstars (7272) **6.00** Beverly Hills 90210 (42307) **7.00** The Flash (56524) **8.00** Unsolved Mysteries (87104) **9.30** Cops II (14524) **10.00** Wrestling Superstars (68123) **11.00** Entertainment Tonight (20746) **12.00** Pages from Skytext

SKY NEWS

News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (11659) **6.30** News and Business Report (635746) **9.30** Nightline (21814) **10.00** Dayline (31936) **10.30** Week In Review (90456) **11.00** Dayline (21340) **11.30** Holiday Destinations (94814) **12.30pm** Fashion TV (94036) **1.30** The Reporters (95765) **2.30** Nightline (28949) **3.30** Those Were The Days (99930) **4.30** Holiday Destinations (8253) **5.00** Live at Five (91456) **6.30** Fashion TV (97340) **7.30** The Reporters (9982) **8.00** News Hour (85746) **9.30** Week In Review (85543) **10.30** The Reporters (15185) **11.30** Fashion TV (85456) **12.30** *Financial Times* West of Moscow (13857) **1.30** Travel Destinations (96050) **2.30** Week In Review (21706) **3.30** Target (93925) **4.30** *Financial Times* West of Moscow (28050) **5.30** The Reporters (10465)

SKY MOVIES PLUS

6.00am Showcase (59017)
8.00 A Twist of Sand (1968): A pair of rogues search for a cache of diamonds in Africa (90017)
10.00 Rock-a-Doodle (1991): A rooster becomes a rock star (8879307)
11.25 Pancho Barnes (1988): Biopic about the American aviator (71058524)
2.00pm The Deerslayer (1978): Adaptation of James Fenimore Cooper's novel (79475)
4.00 Sugarland Express (1974): Goldie Hawn and family go on the run (2104)
6.00 An American Tail: Fievel Goes West (1991): The animated adventures of a mouse continue (84794)
7.30 Emotion Pictures (6036)
8.00 Only The Lonely (1991): John Candy finds true love despite his mother (81456)
10.00 Backdraft (1991): Kurt Russell plays a courageous fire-fighter (13101320)
12.20am Novel Desires: Late night entertainment (6220031)
1.45 Cobra (1986): Stallone rescues Brigitte Nielsen from a cult of bikers (908925)
3.30 Another Man, Another Chance (1977): A widow and widower fall in love (37210873). Ends at **5.40am**

SKY MOVIES GOLD

4.00pm Born Free (1966): Adaptation of Joy Adamson's book (82701746)
5.45 Mrs Miniver (1942, b/w): Greer Garson keeps the home fires burning (39235659)
8.00 Love Story (1970): Ryan O'Neal and Ali MacGraw as young lovers (52746)
10.00 The Getaway (1972): Steve McQueen and Ali MacGraw rob a bank but then things go wrong (813291). Ends at **11.40pm**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00am 55 Days in Peking (1963). Historical drama about the Boxer rebellion with Charlton Heston (57659)
8.30 The Prisoner (1955). Alec Guinness is interrogated for his beliefs behind the Iron Curtain (39278185)
10.15 Death of a Gunfighter (1969): A sheriff refuses to retire (39142611)
12.00 Cockleshell Heroes (1955): A group of marines penetrate enemy territory in canoes (71982)
2.00pm Vestige of Honour (1990). A former green beret returns to Thailand to honour a broken promise (77017)
3.35 55 Days in Peking (as 6am) (77565340)
6.10 O Pioneers! (1992): A Swedish immigrant (Jessica Lange) is left to farm alone when her father dies (84944320)
8.00 Dead in the Water (1991): Bryan Brown plots to murder his wealthy wife (69098)
10.00 Apocalypse Now (1979): Francis Ford Coppola's vision of the Vietnam War (44016340)
12.35am Class Action (1991): A father and daughter, both lawyers, face each other in court (364031)
2.30 Deadly Game (1991). A millionaire plays a terrifying game (525302)
4.05 O Pioneers (as 6pm) (288811). Ends at **5.40am**

SKY SPORTS

6.30am Prime Bodies (24098) **7.00** Ironman Super Series (58765) **8.00** European League Round-Up (59494) **9.00** Windsurfing (79562) **9.30** World Sports Special (13494) **10.00** Rugby Union: New Zealand v Australia (93630) **12.00** Jack High (78997) **1.00pm** Sports Saturday (6774982) **5.00** Australian Rugby League: Queensland v New South Wales (70291) **7.00** Rugby Union: New Zealand v Australia (59272) **9.00** US PGA Seniors Golf (26307) **11.00** Women's Pro Beach Volleyball (71340) **12.30-2.30am** Rugby Union (86302)

EUROSPORT

7.30am Step Aerobics (43611) **8.00** Motorsport Magazine (44562) **9.00** Tour de France (42543) **10.00** Eurofun (33746) **10.30** Motorcycling Moto Magazine (80814) **11.00** Boxing KO Magazine (89659) **12.00** Tennis Davis Cup (13982) **2.00pm** Tour de France (20123) **4.00** Tennis: Davis Cup (384475) **7.00** Tennis: Davis Cup (44340) **9.00** Tour de France (98524) **10.00** Boxing (91611) **11.00-1.00am** Tennis: Davis Cup (20543)

UK GOLD

7.00am Michael Bentine's Potty Time (8246123) **7.30** Rude Dog and The Dweebs (8225630) **8.00** Lassie (2157833) **8.30** Dog House (2156104) **9.00** Jem (2147456) **9.30** The Raccoons (9910814) **10.00** Defenders of the Earth (2769386) **10.30** Adventures of the Galaxy Rangers (2136340) **11.00** Film: The Enchanted Cottage (1945) (78535291) **12.35pm** Film: Station West (1948) (77521036) **2.15** Bless This House (9546982) **2.45** EastEnders Omnibus (42294562) **5.30** The Secret Garden (5198543) **6.00** Driving Ambition (9939349) **7.00** Bless This House (2223185) **7.30** In Sickness And In Health (5106920) **8.00** Bergerac (4604119) **9.00** Wuthering Heights (6682443) **10.00** Film: Grim Prairie Tales (1989) (3278349) **11.30** Naked Video (8611730) **12.00** Lazarus and Dingwall (3214741) **12.30am** In Concert: The Stranglers (32748741) **1.35-2.00am** Video Bites (92840760)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

6.00am The Best of Jack in the Box (74678) **7.00** The Diplodos (34562) **7.30** Widget (20369) **8.00** Cartoon Classics (27253) **8.30** Ratkan II (815920) **11.30** Cartoon Classics (13369) **12.00** Dinorders (77730) **12.30pm** New Fantastic Four (24524) **1.00** Pugwall's Summer (52307) **2.00** Fifteen (6727) **2.30** My Favourite Martians (9307) **3.00** You Can't Do That On Television (6562) **3.30** All Change (1524) **4.00** The Electric String Vest (29920) **5.00** Phoenix Hall (4497) **5.30** 3-2-1 Contact (3123) **6.00-7.00pm** Fame (32543)

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 12.30 Movies, Games and Videos (87456) **1.10** Wrestling (8462661) **1.55** Warner Cartoon **2.05-3.00** The A Team **5.00-5.10** Anglia News (6937475) **12.25** Film: Acquasanta Joe (854079) **2.05** Hollywood Report (7048963) **2.40** BPM (4636012) **4.40** The Little Picture Show (9544609) **4.35-5.30** The Big E

BORDER
As London except: 12.30-1.00 Movies, Games and Videos (87456) **1.10** IndyCar 93 (34950340) **1.40-3.00** Film: Beg, Borrow or Steal (2839543) **5.00-5.10** Border News (6937475) **12.25** Film: Acquasanta Joe (854079) **2.05** Hollywood Report (7048963) **2.40** BPM (4636012) **3.40** The Little Picture Show (9544609) **4.35-5.30** The Big E

CENTRAL
As London except: 12.30-1.00 Movies, Games and Videos (87456) **1.05** Central News (87877017) **1.10** C.O.P.S (34977017) **1.35** IndyCar 93 (4755949) **2.35-3.00** The Munsters Today (7785758) **5.00-5.10** Central News (6937475) **12.20** It's Bizarre (576789) **3.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (82318447) **3.35** America's Top Ten (53525708) **4.05** Jobfinder (8440302) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (1247811)

GRANADA
As London except: 12.30-1.00 Movies, Games and Videos (87456) **1.05** Granada News (87877017) **1.10** IndyCar 93 (34950340) **1.40-3.00** Film: Beg, Borrow or Steal (2839543) **5.00** Granada News (4737185) **5.05-510** Cartoon (4736456) **12.25** Film: Acquasanta Joe (854079) **2.05** Hollywood Report (7048963) **2.40** BPM (4636012) **3.40** The Little Picture Show (9544609) **4.35-5.30** The Big E

HTV WEST
As London except: 12.30-1.00 Movies, Games and Vidos (87456) **1.10** IndyCar 93 (34950340) **1.40** The Mountain Bike Show (24765611) **2.10-3.00** Baywatch (3326562) **5.00-5.10** HTV West News (6937475) **12.25** Film: Acquasanta Joe (854079) **2.05** Hollywood Report (7048963) **2.40** BPM (4636012) **3.40** The Little Picture Show (9544609) **4.35-5.30** The Big E (8270418)

HTV WALES
As HTV West except: 5.00-5.10 HTV Wales News and Weather

MERIDIAN
As London except: 12.30-1.00 The Munsters Today (87456) **1.05** Meridian News (87877017) **1.10** IndyCar 93 (34950340) **1.40** The Mountain Bike Show (24765611) **2.10-3.00** Wrestling (3326562) **5.00-5.10** Meridian News (6937475) **12.20** One to One (1336117) **12.50** The Big E (2646215) **1.45** Film: Carry On Dick (373215) **3.30** Cue the Music (30857) **4.30-5.30** BPM

TYNE TEES
As London except: 12.30-1.00 Movies, Games and Videos (87456) **1.05** Tyne Tees News (87877017) **1.10** Film: Call to Glory (88886388) **2.55-3.00** Mr Magoo (2556746) **5.00-5.10** Tyne Tees Saturday (6937475) **12.20** Film: 11th Victim (839780) **2.05** Coach (6958437) **2.35** BPM (4637741) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (7835073) **4.35-5.30** Cue the Music (8270418)

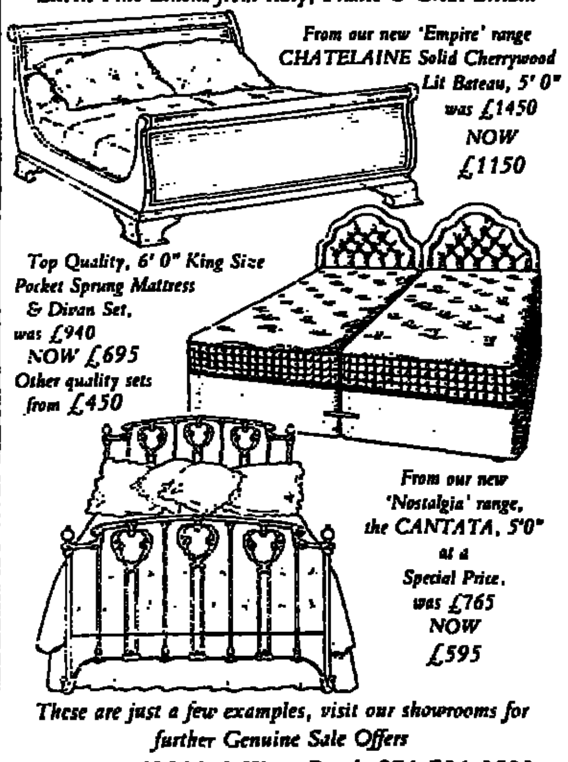
ULSTER
As London except: 12.30-1.00 Sus (87456) **1.10** IndyCar 93 (34950340) **1.40** Movies, Games and Videos (24765611) **2.10-3.00** Wrestling (3326562) **5.00-5.10** UTV Live (6937475) **12.25** Film: Acquasanta Joe (854079) **2.05** Hollywood Report (7048963) **2.40** BPM (4636012) **3.40** The Little Picture Show (9544609) **4.35-5.30** The Big E (8270418)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 12.30-1.00 Movies, Games and Videos (87456) **1.05** Westcountry Weekend Latest (87877017) **1.10** Film: A Tale of Two Critters (4767253) **2.00-3.00** IndyCar 93 (50475) **5.00-5.10** Westcountry Weekend (6937475) **12.25** Film: Acquasanta Joe (Lincoln Tate, Ty Hardin, Silvia McNeill) (854079) **2.05** Hollywood Report (7048963) **2.40** BPM (4636012) **3.40** The Little Picture Show (9544609) **4.35-5.30** The Big E (8270418)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 12.30-1.00 Movies, Games and Videos (87456) **1.10** Film: Call to Glory (88886388) **2.55-3.00** Mr Magoo (2556746) **5.00-5.10** Calendar News (6937475) **12.20** Film: 11th Victim (839780) **2.05** Coach (6958437) **2.35** BPM (4637741) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (7835073) **4.35-5.30** Cue the Music (8270418)

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Starts: 7.05 The Legend of White Fang (6245949) **7.35** Little Dracula (3333475) **8.00** Betty's Bunch (68475) **8.30** Sportraits (65746) **9.00** News (1325920) **9.15** Racing: The Morning Line (8426630) **10.00** Slot Sadwrn (94746) **12.00** Trans World Sport (97833) **1.00** Gaelic Games (73253) **2.00** Ganesh the Elephant God (7421479) **2.55** Joe McDoakes (7443253) **3.10** Channel 4 Racing (37743253) **5.05** Brookside (5612727) **6.30** Dinomania: Moviewatch — Jurassic Park Special (765) **7.00** Newyddion (270949) **7.15** Gemau Heb Ffiniau (2356920) **8.30** Golff (408765) **9.05** Tour de France (893833) **9.35** Dinomania: Claws, Jaws and Dinosaurs (454982) **10.35** Film: La Amiga (28808920) **12.35** One Night Stand: Jimmy Tingle (8888321) **1.05** Dinomania: Status Quo — Rockin' All Over the UK (8879418) **2.10** Close

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RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Neale James (FM only until 6.00am) **7.00** Gary Davies with The Weekend Breakfast Show **10.00** Dave Lee Travis **1.00pm** Adrian Juste **2.00** Archive Jukebox with Paul Gambaccini **3.00** Johnnie Walker **5.30** Saturday Rock Show Special including Def Leppard in concert **9.00** Andy Kershaw **11.00** John Peel (FM only from 12.00) **2.00am** Lynn Parsons

RADIO 2

FM Stereo **4.00am** Colin Berry **6.00** Barbara Sturgeon with The Saturday Show **8.05** Brian Matthew with Sounds of the Sixties **10.00** Chris Stuart **12.00pm** Hayes on Saturday **1.30** Jimmy's Cricket Team **2.00** Summer Afternoon with Ed Stewart **4.00** Andrew Lloyd Webber in Production introduced by Michael Crawford (3 of 4) (r) **5.00** Cinema 2 with Chris Stuart **5.30** Nick Barraclough with New Country **6.00** Steve Race **7.00** David Mellor explores the music of Scandinavia **7.30** Hooray for Hollywood: David Jacobs presents songs and shows that have made it to the screen. At **8.20-8.40** Hollywood Babble-On **9.30** David Jacobs **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme with Sheridan Morley **12.05-4.00am** John Terrett with Night Ride

RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour until **7.00pm**. **6.00am** World Service **6.30** Weekend Edition with John Leslie **9.30** Get Set .. **10.30** The Adventures of Superman **11.00** Go! **12.00pm** Lunch at the Open **12.30** Sportscall **1.30** Sport on Five: Golf at the Open with Tony Adamson from Sandwich; Cricket: Durham v Australia; Athletics from Birmingham, and racing from Newbury **7.30** Afropop Worldwide: A Visa to Mali **8.30** Le Top **10.00** Sports Bulletin **10.15** The Way Out **12.00-12.10am** News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News in German **5.00** Morgenmagazin, Tips für Touristen **5.30** Jazz Now and Then **5.45** Worldbrief **6.00** News **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Meridian **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** People and Politics **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** A Jolly Good Show **10.00** News **10.05** Business Report **10.15** Worldbrief **10.30** Personal View **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** Jazz Now and Then **11.15** Letter from America **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Meridian **1.00** News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Multitrack 3 **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** Sportsworld **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** Heute Aktuell **5.00** News **5.15** Sportsworld **6.00** BBC English **6.30** Heute Aktuell **7.05** German Features **8.00** Proms '93 **8.45** From the Weeklies **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Personal View **9.30** Meridian **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.15** Jazz for the Asking **11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** News **12.05am** Words of Faith **12.10** Book Choice **12.15** A Jolly Good Show **1.00** Newsdesk **1.30** The Ken Bruce Show **2.00** Play of the Week: The Master and Margarita **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** Who Says I'm Mad? **4.00** News **4.15** Sports Roundup

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Sarah Lucas **9.00** Classic Countdown **12.00** Petroc Trelawny **3.00pm** Nicky Horne **6.00** Classic America with Mel Cooper **7.00** Introduction to the Opera: Nicholas Tresilian introduces Charpentier's David and Jonathan **10.00** Six of the Best with Quentin Howard **12.00-6.00am** André Leon

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Graham Dene **10.00** Chris Evans **1.00pm** Emperor Rosko **4.00** Dave Fanning **8.00** Kevin Greening **11.00** Tommy Rivers **2.00-6.00** Sandy Beech

RADIO 3

6.35 Open University: The Growth of Soccer and Organised Sport
6.55 Weather
7.00 Saturday Morning Concert: Verdi (Overture, Nabucco: BBC Welsh SO); Kodaly (Dances of Galanta: BBC Philharmonic); Hindemith (Symphonic Metamorphoses on themes of Weber: BBC Scottish SO); Falla (Nights in the Gardens of Spain: BBC Scottish SO); Rimsky-Korsakov (Sherherazade: BBC Scottish SO)
9.00 News
9.05 Prom News: Charles Hazlewood looks forward to the week's concerts
9.20 Record Release introduced by Richard Osborne. Tchaikovsky (Serenade for Strigns, Op 48); Barber (String Quartet, Op 11); Schubert (Three Impromptus, D899 Nos 2-4); Britten (Calypso); Cole Porter (Let's do it, Night and Day; My Heart Belongs to Daddy; Miss Otis Regrets; The Physician); Liszt (A Faust Symphony)
12.00 Spirit of the Age: Christopher Page looks at the life of the 11th-century monk Hermannus Contractus (r)
1.00pm News
1.05 BBC Symphony Orchestra under Alexander Lazarev with Gordon Fergus-Thompson, piano, plays Rimsky-Korsakov (Piano Concerto in C sharp minor); Borodin (Symphony No 1 in E flat)
2.00 American Piano Trios: Hartley Piano Trio performs Ives (Piano Trio); Copland (Vitebsk); Mrs H.A.A Beach (Piano Trio, Op 150)
2.50 Béatrice et Bénédict: A performance of Berlioz's opera given by the Glyndebourne Festival Opera at the Festival Hall. With Anne Sofie von Otter as Béatrice; Jerry Hadley as Bénédict; Dawn Upshaw as Héro; Giles Cachemaille as Claudio; and the Glyndebourne Chorus, London Philharmonic Orchestra under Andrew Davis
4.40 Chopin: Piano music played by Maurizio Pollini
5.00 Jazz Record Requests with Geoffrey Smith
5.45 Black and White: the first of two snapshots of the contemporary piano based on recitals given during last year's new MusICA series including Frederic Rzewski (The Turtle and the Crane); Takemitzu (Litany); Gershwin, arr Finnissy (Nashville Nightingale); Adrian Jack (Tin-Pan Tango; Beginner's Fingers); Paul Ruders (Dante Sonata, first mvt); Dave Smith (Toccantella)
6.45 Off-Cuts: Berlioz (The Death of Ophelia, Tristia, Op 18; Rêvene et Caprice, Op 9); Fantasy on Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, Lélio)
7.15 Prom News (r)
7.30 Proms, live from the Albert Hall, London, the BBC Philharmonic under Yan Pascal Tortelier with Cécile Ousset, piano, performs Tchaikovsky (Fantasy Overture, Romeo and Juliet), Rachmaninov (Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini); Ravel, orch Tortelier (Trio in A minor); Respighi (Pines of Rome). In the interval at 8.20 Less is Amore (r)
9.40 Studio Three: Tales from the Hatbox of Benjamin Marcus. See Choice
10.25 Jazz at the Bath Festival: Miles Kington introduces a recording of Andy Sheppard's new band, Big Co-Motion, in *concert at the Bath Pavilion*
12.30-12.35am News

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping 6.00 News Briefing incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** The Farming Week **6.50** Prayer for the Day **6.55** Weather **7.00** Today incl **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** News; **7.20** Listeners' Letters; **7.25, 8.25** Sports News; **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.40** Yesterday in Parliament **8.58** Weather
9.00 News 9.05 Sport on 4
9.30 Breakaway with Eddie Mair
10.00 News; The Masterson Inheritance: The saga continues with the French Revolution in full swing. Starring Josie Lawrence and Paul Merton (r)
10.30 Knowing Me, Knowing You: Anecdotes from *On the Hour*'s Alan Partridge (r)
11.00 News; The Week in Westminster with Michael White
11.30 Europhile presented by Gordon Clough
12.00 Money Box with Vincent Duggleby
12.25pm They Think It's All Over: A different kind of sports quiz with Rory Bremner, Rory McGrath, Steve Davis and Roger Black **12.55** Weather
1.00 News 1.10 Any Questions? Teresa Gorman MP; Keith Vaz MP; Rabbi Julia Neuberger; and Professor Julian de Grand *of the London School of* Economics tackle the issues raised in Bristol. Chaired by Nick Clarke (r) **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Any Answers? 071-580 4444
2.30 Playhouse: The Colony. John Rooney's play takes us to the West of Ireland, "the last unpolluted coastline in Europe"
4.00 News; Age to Age: Christopher Cook imagines how radio 40 years ago might have sounded with commercial breaks
4.30 Science Now: Alun Lewis joins the celebrations at Rothamsted Experimental Station to mark its 150 years of agricultural research
5.00 Costing the Earth: Roger Harrabin looks at how many miles an average British dinner travels; asks if trade is *compatible with a green* planet; and finds out what a sustainable lifestyle might be for the year 2010
5.25 Bright Sparks: Anne Kelleher talks to historian Helen Power. At 26, Norfolk-born Power is one of the youngest Wellcome Institute Fellows and a passionate believer in popularising the history of medicine **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather
6.00 News and Sports Round-up
6.25 A Look Back at the Nineties: A satirical treatment of the decade (r)
6.50 The Locker Room: Tom Robinson reveals how men really feel about what they do
7.20 Kaleidoscope: Borough Art. Paul Allen journeys around Wembley and Willesden to discover the integral role artistic life has to play in London's most multi-racial borough
7.50 Saturday Night Theatre. See Choice
9.20 Music in Mind with Brian Kay
9.50 Ten to Ten 9.59 Weather
10.00 News
10.15 Open Mind
10.45 Selling Your Soul? A look at public relations in politics
11.00 The Tingle Factor: Saxophonist Ronnie Scott talks to Jeremy Nicholas (r)
11.30 The Young Postman by Ben Miller (r)
12.00-12.43am News incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

CHOICE

Studio Three — Tales from the Hatbox of Benjamin Marcus.
Radio 3, 9.40pm

After a gap of three years, a new series of the experimental theatre strand, *Studio Three*, begins with a bleak and uncomfortable virtual monologue by Gie Laenan. The hatbox in question has been passed down to Benjamin Marcus's stepson, Jonathan, the natural son of a German photographer and Jewish woman. Within it are assorted objects, many conveniently musical, which evoke terrible memories of the Warsaw ghetto. Like the Ancient Mariner, Jonathan has a fierce determination to share these tales with us, lest we forget.

Saturday Night Theatre — The Right Result. *Radio 4, 7.50pm*
Peter R. Simpkin's more conventional drama has *Hi-De-Hi!*'s Paul Shane as a racist police chief. There is a degree of humour in his none too subtle performance, but the work as a whole is serious, unravelling the story of a black man's death on the London Tube. To the racists, be they press or police, the case looks simple — a white *commuter accidently killed his would-be mugger — but* a new superintendent (Malcolm Rennie) has his doubts. **Stephanie Billen**

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SUNDAY TELEVISION AND RADIO

BBC1

7.00 Ceefax (30079)
7.30 Wiz Bang (r) (s) (2812383) **7.40 Pigeon Street** (r) (2832147) **7.55 Playdays** (r) (s) (4614708)
8.15 Breakfast With Frost. Michael Buerk stands-in for the absent Sir David Frost. Includes **News** and weather at **8.15** and **9.00** (301895)
9.15 Getting Through. Sybil Phoenix, MBE, talks about the ups and downs of fostering more than 200 children (r) (3803673)
9.30 This is the Day. Noel Battye joins sculptor Susan Hadley at her Chichester studio (s) (88215)
10.00 See Hear!: A World of Quiet. An American film about the relationship between parents who are deaf and their hearing daughters (s) (87499)
10.30 Film: Monte Carlo or Bust (1969) starring Tony Curtis, Peter Cook and Terry-Thomas. Frenetic slapstick comedy, set in the 1920s, about a car rally that attracts sportsmen and villains alike. Directed by Ken Annakin (48302)
12.30 CountryFile with John Craven (3252012). **Wales:** *Down to Earth* **12.55 Weather** (36064031)
1.00 News followed by **On the Record.** Jonathan Dimbleby interviews the prime minister, John Major, at his Huntingdon home. Last in the series (87586)
2.00 EastEnders (r). (Ceefax) (s) (68128)



Summer lovin': Sandy and Danny (3.00pm)

3.00 Film: Grease (1978) starring John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John. Lively teen musical, set in the 1950s, about a summer romance that fades when the young man masks his true feelings for the girl. Directed by Randal Kleiser. (Ceefax) (37839942) **4.45 Cartoon.** *Toyland Broadcast.* (Ceefax) (2996944)
4.50 Biteback. Sue Lawley's right-of-reply show that puts BBC TV programme makers in the hot seat. (Ceefax) (7963470)
5.30 Superdogs. The fourth quarter-final features dogs and their handlers from East Anglia competing against the North West (s) (778031)
6.10 News with Moira Stuart. (Ceefax) Weather (895296)
6.25 Thora on the Straight and Narrow. Thora Hird traces the thin line between salvation and damnation. (Ceefax) (s) (395857)
7.00 Last of the Summer Wine. Unable to reach Nora Batty's heart, Compo tries to make do with her clothes line (r) (s) (9050)
7.30 As Time Goes By. Second time around romantic comedy (r). (Ceefax) (s) (215)
8.00 Strathblair. Episode four of the 1950s Scottish drama. (Ceefax) (s)
8.50 News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Weather (460499)
9.05 Resnik: Rough Treatment (s). See Choice (5981321)
10.20 Everyman: If Talking Brought Peace. The story of the Dublin housewife Susan McHugh and her efforts to end the troubles in Ireland through her Peace 93 initiative, launched after the Warrington bomb outrage. (Ceefax) (248418). **Northern Ireland:** *The Championship 11.15 Everyman 11.55 The Train Now Departing* 12.25am Golf
11.00 The Train Now Departing. A look at Scotland's West Highland Railway (r) (4586)
11.30 Golf: The Open. Final round highlights (152692)
12.10am Weather (8859819). Ends at **12.15**
3.30-3.50 BBC Select: Pathways to Care (96320890)

BBC2

6.15 Open University: The Health Service — Quality and Culture (6782760) **6.40** Pure Maths — In Perspective (7461012) **7.05** *Chemistry: The Lithium Row* (6331586) **7.30** Education: Measures of Success (3316708) **7.55** Pieter Bruegel and Popular Culture (469302) **8.20** Stowe and Stantonbury Schools (6715499) **8.45** Surviving the Exam (7144383)
9.10 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (r) (1387760) **9.30 Jonny Briggs** (r) (1933429) **9.45 Flip** (r) (s) (6268296) **10.10 Rugrats** (s) (9668586) **10.35 Grange Hill** (r) (6832166)
11.00 Blue Peter. Includes Honey the puppy's efforts to become a guide dog for the blind (r). (Ceefax) (s) (3802418) **11.20 What's That Noise?** Comedy and music series (r) (s) (3811166) **11.45 The O-Zone.** Pop music magazine (s) (3840925)
12.00 Regional Westminster Programmes (79079). **Northern Ireland:** Greenfingers; **Wales:** First Sight — Coming Out in Force
12.30 Sunday Grandstand introduced by Steve Rider. Golf: live coverage of the final round of the Open Championship. 12.30-3.30 (808741) 3.30-6.45 (87829708)
6.45 Great Sporting Moments. Bob Willis's part in England's Test victory over Australia at Headingley in 1981 (698505)
7.00 Rough Guide to the World's Islands. A tour of Sicily (r) (s) (391924)
7.50 The Prize. The series on the history of oil includes a profile of entrepreneur and tycoon Calouste Gulbenkian (s) (316760)
8.45-11.55 A Night on the Tyne begins with **Off the Wall.** The final visit to the Byker estate's loaned art exhibition (869875)
9.40 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? A 1973 episode from the Dick Clement and Ian La Frenais comedy series starring Rodney Bewes and James Bolam (753012)
10.10 Film: Get Carter (1971) starring Michael Caine and Britt Ekland. A brutal, overrated thriller about a London gangster who returns to his native Newcastle to investigate the mysterious death of his brother. Directed by Mike Hodges (190963)



Man and master: Mullan and Rhys (11.55pm)

11.55 Encounters: Opium Eater. The last of the dramatised meetings between figures from the past features Thomas de Quincey (Paul Rhys) and his manservant Willy (Peter Mullan). (Ceefax) (997692)
12.55am Moviedrome. Alex Cox introduces **Weekend** (1967) starring Mireille Darc and Jean Yanne. Two homicidal lovers set off from Paris for the weekend, negotiate a nightmare of burning cars and come to rest in a guerrilla community. A strange, brilliant and baffling film from director Jean-Luc Godard. In French with English subtitles (445616). Ends at **2.45**

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CHOICE

Kinnock — The Inside Story
ITV, 10.50pm

Soundbites from Neil Kinnock's four-part television memoirs have already hit the headlines and it promises to be an honest series, perhaps a revealing one. Kinnock entered Parliament when he was only 28. George Thomas, the future Speaker, observed that his opinions were as red as his hair. Kinnock even joined Dennis Skinner in boycotting the Queen's Speech. Over the years the hair became thinner and the opinions mellowed. The film brings out the extent to which the rising Kinnock hitched himself to Michael Foot. Shirley Williams says Kinnock was the son Foot never had. Ironically it was Foot's disastrous campaign in the 1983 general election which made Kinnock leader, where tonight's instalment ends.



Good taste: Wilkinson, Hardcastle (BBC1, 9.05pm)

Resnick: Rough Treatment
BBC1, 9.05pm

The admirable Tom Wilkinson returns as the burly Nottingham detective with a taste for tasty sandwiches. The first *Resnick* adventure, soon to be repeated, was notable for a flashy visual style and violent content. Nobody can say that it failed to grip. This one is almost the opposite. Stylistic flourishes are eschewed, violence is minimal, the narrative flows gently and there are flashes of comedy. Jim Carter and Tom Georgeson play a pair of unconvincing burglars, so decent that when one of their victims has a heart attack they call an ambulance. As before the live-alone Resnick cheers himself up with female company, this time a personable estate agent (Diana Hardcastle).

Equinox: The Real Jurassic Park
Channel 4, 7.00pm

Yet another television tie-in with the Steven Spielberg film asks whether his scenario could really happen. In other words will it be possible for scientists to recreate extinct creatures such as dinosaurs through genetic engineering? The question is tackled step by step with the help of experts. After Lord Attenborough with a Scottish accent has given us a taste of his *Jurassic Park* character, we are off to the real world of laboratories, DNA and embryos. The attempt to bridge science fiction and science fact provokes much lively speculation, though it seems unlikely that dinosaurs will be walking the Earth again just yet. The perhaps bigger debate, about the morality of the enterprise, is tucked away in a footnote.

Out of Africa
Channel 4, 10.40pm

The topic for tonight's panel, drawn from Ghana, Nigeria, Tanzania and Uganda, is whether Africa's many internal conflicts are better handled by United Nations peacekeeping forces or by the Africans themselves. Somalia is examined as an example of the former and Liberia of the latter. Those hoping for clear answers will not get them. Nobody is complimentary about UN efforts in Somalia. At the same time nobody offers any alternative. Some think the Organisation of African Unity should assume a peace-keeping role, though there are doubts whether it has the resources. As usual, the presenter, Zeinab Badawi, asks the pertinent questions and makes sure that the discussion sticks to the point.

Peter Waymark

ITV LONDON

6.00 GMTV (5954741)
9.25 Heidi. Drama series about a young Swiss girl (5638505) **9.50 The New Adventures of Black Beauty** (s) (6276215) **10.20 The Littlest Hobo.** Adventures of a German shepherd dog (9651296)
10.45 Link. Advice on keeping fit if confined to a wheelchair (9354499)
11.00 Morning Worship from St Anne and St Agnus Lutheran Church in the City of London (13302)
12.00 Divine Inspiration Lighthearted religious quiz. Last in the series (s) (66505)
12.30 Crosstalk. Peter Allen asks environment secretary John Gummer "Who runs London?" (84499)
1.00 News and weather (17920234)
1.10 Cartoon Time (13871166) **1.30 An Invitation To Remember.** Phyllis Calvert talks about her life and career (76470)
2.00 Highway Sir Harry Secombe visits the gardens of Sandringham House. (Teletext) (3044876)
2.35 Film: Wuthering Heights (1939, b/w) starring Laurence Olivier, Merle Oberon and David Niven. Full-blooded Hollywood version of Emily Brontë's novel which throws away half the book and concentrates on the tragic love of Cathy and Heathcliff Directed by William Wyler (26556055)
4.30 Highway To Heaven. Earthly adventures of an apprentice angel, starring Michael Landon (87418)
5.30 The $64,000 Question. Bob Monkhouse with another round of the quiz show (s) (234)
6.00 London Tonight. (Teletext) (s) (530857)
6.20 News and weather (446079)
6.30 Father Dowling Investigates. A repentant hired assassin warns Fr Dowling that someone is sure to accept the assignment to kill the parish priest. Starring Tom Bosley (Teletext) (s) (70789)
7.30 Second Thoughts. Romantic comedy starring James Bolam and Lynda Bellingham as a couple contemplating marriage for the second time (r). (Teletext) (383)
8.00 The Agatha Christie Film: Peril at End House. While on holiday Poirot and Hastings meet a young woman who believes she has been the victim of several murder attempts. Starring David Suchet and Hugh Fraser (r). (Teletext) (9383)
10.00 News and weather (909499)
10.20 Over the Rainbow. The Dick Clement-Ian La Frenais comedy about four young hopefuls trying to make it in the music world. (Teletext) (s) (385760)



The route to the top: Neil Kinnock (10.50pm)

10.50 Kinnock: The Inside Story. (Teletext) See Choice (132418)
11.40 Film: Sharing Richard (1988) starring Ed Marinaro, Eileen Davidson and Nancy Frangione. Romantic comedy about two unattached women who, after learning they are being dated by the same divorced man, decide to share him. Directed by Peter Bonerz (594050)
1.20 Island Son. Medical drama series (4520567)
2.15 Cue the Music. The second of two programmes featuring the Moody Blues (752631)
3.15 TXT. Music and chat show (4554074)
4.05 Memories of 1970-1991. Robert Powell remembers 1990 (s) (6055884)
5.00 Crusade in the Pacific. How idyllic island became caught up in world affairs (52703)
5.30 ITN Morning News (74364). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Trans World Sport (9754296) **6.55 Ovide** (4410128) **7.05 The Wombles** (r) (6566296) **7.10 Madeline.** Animation from France (6204692) **7.40 For Better or for Worse.** Animation (3390760) **8.05 Jayce and the Wheeled Warriors** (1860963) **8.30 The Adventures of T-Rex** (53031)
9.00 California Dreams. The final episode in the serial about a young rock band (44383) **9.30 Dennis.** Cartoon adventures (r) (9333645)
9.45 Flipper. The friendly dolphin comes to the rescue again (135654) **10.15 The Lone Ranger** (b/w). Vintage western adventures (150963)
10.45 Land of the Giants. Science fiction drama series (r) (373012) **11.45 Little House On The Prairie** The story of a close-knit Kansas plains family (4296050)
12.40 Those British Faces: James Robertson Justice. A tribute to the late actor with contributions from family, friends and colleagues. (Teletext) (7979692)
1.15 Film: Raising the Wind (1961) starring James Robertson Justice and Leslie Phillips. Clumping comedy about the misadventures of a group of classical music students. Directed by Gerald Thomas. (Teletext) (10173321)
2.55 Dinomania: Dinosaur Footprints. The story of the rush for relics after the discovery in a Maastricht quarry during the 18th century of a huge jaw bone belonging to a species of animal never before known (9274505)
4.25 Dinomania: Living With Dinosaurs. Anthony Minghella's Emmy award-winning play about an eccentric family whose son confides his concerns to a toy dinosaur with a penchant for Elvis Presley impersonations. Starring Greg Chisholm, Michael Maloney, Juliet Stevenson and Patrick Malahide. The dinosaur is brought to life by Jim Henson animations (r) (4240470)
5.25 News summary and weather (4714234)
5.30 Hypnosis. A new eight-part music series (s) (876)
6.00 Dinomania: Moviewatch Special. Includes Johnny Vaughan reviewing *Jurassic Park* (r). (Teletext) (s) (789)
6.30 Press Gang. Series about the young reporters of a junior newspaper (r) (s) (741)
7.00 Dinomania: The Real Jurassic Park — An Equinox Special. (Ceefax) (s) See Choice (7789)
8.00 Tour de France. The 224km stage from Montpellier to Perpignan (8708)



Far-right fears: Dr Cora Stephan (8.30pm)

8.30 Frontline. German writer and historian Dr Cora Stephan reports on whether Germany's liberal conscript army is being hijacked by far-right influences. (Teletext) (7215)
9.00 Film: The Land That Time Forgot (1974) starring Doug McClure. Acceptable science fiction adventure, based on the novel by Edgar Rice Burroughs, about a German U-boat crew and their two American prisoners who stumble across an uncharted Arctic island inhabited by prehistoric creatures. Directed by Kevin Connor. (Teletext) (33933586)
10.40 Out Of Africa (s) See Choice (6936215)
11.45 Dinomania: Rock Dinosaurs. The dinosaur-dominated weekend ends with a tribute to the music of Bob Dylan. Among those taking part are Stevie Wonder, Chrissie Hynde and Eric Clapton (r) (591963). Ends at **1.25am**

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 9.25 John the Fearless (6209514) **10.05** Cartoons (3720215) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (152321) **12.40-1.00** Countrywide (3287708) **1.10-2.00** Suntmasters (8062465) **2.35** Warner Cartoon (1240383) **2.45-5.30** Film: The Scarlet and the Black (25726789) **6.00-6.20** Anglia News (530857) **11.40** The Twilight Zone (119760) **12.10** Quiz Night (2229600) **12.40** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (8856722) **1.10** Film: Brainwashed (138180) **2.55** The New Music (4627364) **3.55** Entertainment UK (2394726) **4.50** America's Top Ten (96649819) **5.20-5.30** Jobfinder (6526433)

CENTRAL
As London except: 9.25 John the Fearless (6209514) **10.05** Cartoon Time (3720215) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (152321) **12.30-1.00** Central Newsweek (3287709) **1.10-2.00** Family Theatre (8062465) **2.35** Take 15 (1240383) **2.50** Challenge of the Seas (4120695) **3.20** Children of the Winter (2423857) **3.50** Wrestling (4979499) **4.35-5.30** Life Goes On (9403789) **6.00-6.20** Cartoon Time (824708) **6.30-7.30** Murder, She Wrote (70789) **11.40** Prisoner: Cell Block H (255128) **12.35** Riviera (3708345) **1.30** ITV Chart Show (65109) **2.30** Cue the Music (52155) **3.30** Love at First Sight (90659) **4.00-5.20** Jobfinder (1385864)

HTV WEST
As London except: 9.25 Film: Not Quite Human (8482296) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (152321) **12.30-1.00** HTV Newsweek (84499) **1.10-2.00** The A-Team (8062465) **2.35** Meredith on Sunday (4191383) **3.05** Wrestling (1500215) **4.00** Film: More Wild Wild West (31165128) **5.45-6.20** The $64,000 Question (582514) **11.40** Love at First Sight (119760) **12.10** Quiz Night (2229600) **12.40** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (8856722) **1.10** Film: Brainwashed (138180) **2.55** The New Music (4627364) **3.55** Entertainment UK (2394726) **4.50** America's Top Ten (96649819) **5.20-5.30** Jobfinder (6526433)

HTV WALES
As HTV West except: 12.30pm-1.00 Playback **2.35-3.05** Wales on Sunday

MERIDIAN
As London except: 9.25 John the Fearless (6209514) **10.05** Warner Cartoon (3720215) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (152321) **12.30** The Turning Point (5983128) **12.50-1.00** Meridian News (37245128) **1.10-2.00** The Wonderful World of Disney (8062465) **2.35** Cartoon (7441895) **2.45** Film: Operation Bullshine (11668586) **4.20** Life Goes On (4808499) **5.15** $64,000 Question (132073) **5.45-6.20** The Champions (582514) **6.30-7.30** Murder, She Wrote (70789) **11.40** Film: The Lawyer (48753499) **1.55** ITV Chart Show (8974600) **2.55** The Pier (6328600) **3.30** Anything Goes (16819) **5.00-5.30** Freescreen (52703)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 9.25 Film: Stowaways on the Ark (8482296) **10.15-10.45** The Mountain Bike Show (152321) **12.25** The Littlest Hobo (4223692) **12.50-1.00** Tyne Tees Newsweek (37245128) **1.10-2.00** Film: The Monkey's Uncle (8062465) **2.35** Film: In the Doghouse (45821857) **4.15** Cartoon (2803586) **4.25** Life Goes On (4890470) **5.20** The $64,000 Question

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 9.25 John the Fearless (6209514) **10.05** Cartoon Time (3720215) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (152321) **12.30-1.00** Westcountry Update (3287708) **1.10-2.00** Sky High (8062465) **2.45** Life Goes On (658215) **3.45** Cartoon Time (9786499) **3.55** Film: Lacy and the Mississippi Queen (8414186) **5.15** Champions (132073) **5.45-6.20** The $64,000 Question (582514) **6.30-7.30** Murder, She Wrote (70789) **11.40** Love at First Sight (119760) **12.10** Quiz Night (2229600) **12.40** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (8956722) **1.10** Film: Brainwashed (138180) **2.55** The New Music (4627364) **3.55** Entertainment UK (2394726) **4.50-5.20** America's Top Ten (96649819)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 9.25 Film: Stowaways on the Ark (8482296) **10.15-10.45** The Mountain Bike Show (152321) **12.25** The Littlest Hobo (4223692) **12.50-1.00** Calendar News (37245128) **1.10-2.00** Film: The Monkey's Uncle (8062465) **2.35** Film: In the Doghouse (45821857) **4.15** Cartoon (2803586) **4.25** Life Goes On (4890470) **5.20-5.50** The $64,000 Question (5603586) **5.50-6.20** Calendar (253550)

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Starts: 7.05 The Wombles (6566296) **7.10** Madeline (6204692) **7.40** For Better or for Worse (3390760) **8.05** Jayce and the Wheeled Warriors (1860963) **8.30** The Adventures of T-Rex (53031) **9.00** Sandokan (44383) **9.30** Dennis (9333645) **9.45** Flipper (135654) **10.15** The Lone Ranger (150963) **10.45** Land of the Giants (373012) **11.45** Little House on the Prairie (379296) **12.45** Mork and Mindy (414673) **1.15** Earls, Indiana (411586) **1.45** Kingdom of the Plains (685505) **2.45** Those British Faces: A Tribute To Dennis Price (434437) **3.15** Film: Kind Hearts and Coronets (587708) **5.15** North To Wales (6961296) **5.30** Pobol Y Cwm (68367168) **7.15** Lloyrls Olsorts (842968) **7.50** Hel Straeon (442673) **8.20** Canwn Moliannwn (211925) **8.50** Gwasaneth A Mawl (477789) **9.10** Newyddion (769673) **9.15** Saith Diwrnod Ar Y Sul (865296) **9.30** Golf (95505) **10.00** Tour de France (86876) **10.30** Dinomania. The Real Jurassic Pack — *An Equinox Special* (85296) **11.30** *Traffik* (25893) **12.30** ENG (3707616) **1.25** Close

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am Hour of Power (82789) **7.00** Fun Factory (3701352) **11.30** The Brady Bunch (21470) **12.00** Wrestling Challenge (41708) **1.00pm** Battlestar Galactica (27128) **2.00** The Love Boat (11470) **3.00** WKRP In Cincinnati (6741) **3.30** Fashion TV (5963) **4.00** UK Top 40 (44321) **5.00** All American Wrestling (6091) **6.00** The Simpsons (30692) **7.00** The Young Indiana Jones Chronicles (Part 1 of 2) (60857) **8.00** North and South. Starring Patrick Swayze (73321) **10.00** Hill Street Blues (69128) **11.00** Stingrey (49741) **12.00** Pages from Skytext

SKY NEWS
News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (8914050) **9.30** Frost on Sunday (38215) **11.30** Week In Review (15437) **12.30pm** *Financial Times Reports* (75031) **1.30** Target (76760) **2.30** The Lords (31942) **3.30** Roving Report (52483) **4.30** Memories of 1970-1991 (8296) **5.00** Live at *Five* (98499) **6.30** *Roving Report* (10321) **7.30** Week In Review (9925) **8.00** News Hour (99079) **9.30** Target (16166) **10.30** Roving Report (62370) **11.30** CBS Evening News (58609) **12.30am** Week in Review (30600) **1.30** CBS Evening News (74123) **2.30** Target (22513) **3.30** *CBS Evening News* (80278) **4.30** Those Were The Days (36155) **5.30** CBS Evening News (12548)

SKY MOVIES PLUS
6.00am Showcase (30012)
8.00 Wuthering Heights (1970): Timothy Dalton plays Heathcliff (35050)
10.00 Triumph of the Heart (1991): A sportsman benefits from a friendship with a young handicapped boy (83789)
12.00 End of the Line (1987): Railroad employees steal a vintage engine (25673)
2.00pm The Rocketeer (1991): Based on the comic book classic (83708)
4.00 Lies Before Kisses (1991): A woman *finds her husband is being blackmailed* and is suspected of murder (2925)
6.00 Life Stinks (1991): Mel Brooks agrees to spend a month on the streets (63944)
8.00 Frankie and Johnny (1991): Al Pacino wears down Michelle Pfeiffer's defences (75789)
10.00 Kindergarten Cop (1990): Arnold Schwarzenegger finds it difficult being a kindergarten teacher (835499)
11.55 Ski School (1990): Comedy about two rival instructors (768708)
1.30 Lock Up (1989): Thriller with Sylvester Stallone fighting back (785277)
4.00 Bethune — The Making of a Hero. (1990): Donald Sutherland plays the Canadian doctor (515971). Ends at **6.00am**

SKY MOVIES GOLD
4.00pm Living Free (1966). Susan Hampshire and Nigel Davenport as game wardens *in Kenya* (6925)
6.00 Adam's Rib (1949). Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn play married lawyers on opposite sides (47944)
8.00 Tell Them Willie Boy Is Here (1969): Robert Redford as a deputy sheriff sent after an Indian accused of murder (59789)
10.00 The Conversation (1974): Gene Hackman is hired to gather information (396050). Ends at **11.50**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am Hiawatha: Animated film based on Longfellow's poem (75499)
7.00 Black Arrow Animated adventure (39578)
8.00 Irma La Douce (1963): A policeman, Jack Lemmon, falls in love with a prostitute, Shirley Maclaine (48232708)
10.25 The Man Inside (1990): A principled journalist finds himself involved in arms dealing (39133963)
***12.10pm Outback** (1988): Australian drama* about an American struggling to farm (572031)
2.00 Sarah, Plain and Tall (1991): Glenn Close plays mother to two children (74050)
4.00 The Fire in the Stone (1985): Children find themselves in the centre of a mystery about stolen opals (3895)
6.00 Robin Hood (1991): Patrick Bergin plays the outlaw (81596)
8.00 Filofax (1990): James Belushi as an escaped convict who attempts to live the life of an ad executive (68031)
10.00 With Savage Intent (1992): An estate agent discovers one of her properties is being used for drug dealing (871370)
11.35 Mom (1989). A lovable grandmother *becomes a flesh-eating monster at night* (139147)
1.15am Revealing Evidence (1990). A policeman and a female prosecutor search for a serial killer (397906)
2.50 Targets (1968): A retired film actor claims that real life is more frightening than films (2574451) Ends at **4.20am**

SKY SPORTS
6.30am Prime Bodies (85215) **7.00** Rugby *Union: New Zealand v Australia (98031)* **9.00** Trucks 'N' Tractor Power (27079) **9.30** Redline — Motorsport (64437) **10.30** Superbikes Grand Prix (88895) **12.00** US PGA Seniors Golf (69031) **2.00pm** UEFA U-18 Football Championships (496895) **5.00** Superbikes Grand Prix (32657) **6.30** Muscle Night Special (52321) **7.30** European Ladies Golf Classic (24760) **8.30** US PGA Seniors Golf-Live (972505) **11.00** UEFA U-18 Soccer Youth Championships (27586) ***1.00-2.30am*** Superbikes Grand Prix (74722)

EUROSPORT
7.30am Step Aerobics (71550) **8.00** Triathlon Iron Man (41505) **9.00** Tour De France (56876) **10.00** Boxing (71514) **11.00** Motorcycling: San Marino Grand Prix (3796418) **11.45** German Superbike Championship (331876) **12.15pm** Motorcycling Grand Prix (4835854) **1.00** German Superbike Championship (93586) **1.30** Motorcycling Grand Prix (5895876) **2.15** Tour de France (503586) **3.45** Tennis Davis Cup (52404692) **7.00** Indy Car Grand Prix (14079) **9.00** DTM German Touring Cars (26437) ***10.00** Tour de France (98296)* ***11.00-12.30am*** Motorcycling: Grand Prix (70741)

UK GOLD
7.00am Michael Bentine's Potty Time (8213695) **7.30** Rude Dog and The Dweebs (8292302) **8.00** Lassie (2124505) **8.30** Dog House (2123876) **9.00** Dr Who Omnibus (13472470) **10.45** Film: Carve Her Name with Pride (66014895) ***12.50pm** Film: Seance on a Wet Afternoon* (35897673) **2.45** Sorry! (9512925) **3.15** The Bill Omnibus (92283741) **5.30** David Copperfield (5165215) **6.00** The District Nurse (9999321) **7.00** Sorry! (2290857) **7.30** No Place Like Home (5175892) **8.00** Miss Marple (8233401) **9.00** Elizabeth R (89646186) **10.50** Life Without George (6424079) **11.20** Colin's Sandwich (3023708) **11.50-1.00am** In Concert (4958383)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am The Best of Jack in the Box (48383) **7.00** Commander Crumbcake (31505) **7.30** Widget (10012) **8.00** Cartoon Classics (46128) **8.30** Ratkan II (992654) **11.30** Cartoon Classics (27692) **12.00** Dinonders (49215) **12.30pm** New Fantastic Four (72031) **1.00** Once a Hero (77586) **2.00** Just Us (6) (9876) **2.30** Flash Gordon (8876) **3.00** *Chicken Minute* (8383) **3.30** *Mr Majeika (21)* (3321) **4.00** Winners (8) (17215) **5.00** Katts and Dog (22) (5986) **5.30** 3-2-1 Contact (2692) **6.00-7.00pm** Fame (80050)

RADIO 3

6.35am Open University: Drugs: Kicking the Habit
6.55 Weather
7.00 Bach and His Sons: J.S. Bach (Singet dem Herrn, BWV 225); W.F. Bach (Concerto in E flat for two h'chords); C.P.E. Bach (12 Variations on "La Folia"); J.C.F. Bach (Sonata in A); J.S. Bach (Mass in A, BWV 234); W.F. Bach (Sonata in G); J.C. Bach (Symphony in G minor, Op 6 No 6)
9.00 News
9.05 Brian Kay's Sunday Morning: Vaughan Williams (Overture, The Wasps); *Graham Peel (In Summertime on Bredon)*; Albinoni (Concerto a 5 in A minor); Smetana (Furiant; Skocna, The Bartered Bride); Chopin (Berceuse in D flat, Op 57); Poulenc, orch Berkeley (Flute Sonata); Mendelssohn (O for the Wings of a Dove, Hear My Prayer); Rameau (Dances, Dardanus, Acts 2 and 3); Françaix (11 Variations on a Theme by Haydn); Rachmaninov (Piano Concerto No 2 in C minor); Anon (Non a Gran Causa, Pilgrimage to Santiago); Bernstein (Prelude, Fugue and Riffs), Britten (Te Deum in C); Bridge (Suite, The Sea)
12.00 Vintage Years: David Mellor introduces recordings by Dinu Lipatti (r)
1.00pm News 1.05 Into the Garden: Barbara Abbs talks to the garden historian Sylvia Landsberg
1.20 Ravel: BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra under Tadeaki Otaka performs Piano Concerto in G; Une barque sur l'océan, Miroirs; La Valse; Pavane pour une infante défunte; Shéhérazade; Boléro
2.55 Telemann: Trio Sonata in G minor; Recorder Sonata in C, Der Getreue Musikmeister; Trio Sonata in D minor
3.20 Barbara Bonney, soprano and Geoffrey Parsons, piano, perform music by Grieg, Delius, Stenhammar, Sibelius,
4.50 Frankfurt Radio Symphony Orchestra under Sylvain Cambreling with Thomas Zehetmair, violin, and Tabea Zimmermann, viola, performs Mozart (Symphony No 25 in G minor K183); Stravinsky (Concerto in D, Basle); Mozart (Sinfonia Concertante in E flat, K364)
5.55 Black and White: A snapshot of contemporary piano based on recitals given at last year's New MusICA series. Andrew Ball and Noriko Kawai play H.K. Gruber (Luftschlösser, excerpts); John Woolrich (Two Pieces); Benedict Mason (Three Studies: Triad Warfare; Steinweg nach Hamburg; Schenker); Frederic Rzewski (Piano Sonata, finale); Gerald Barry (Sur les pointes)
7.00 Proms, live from the Albert Hall, London. Berlioz's *Roméo and Juliette* performed by BBC Singers, Huddersfield Choral Society, Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Choir and BBC Philharmonic under Yan Pascal Tortelier with Marie-Ange Todorovitch, Anthony Rolfe Johnson and John Tomlinson. In the interval at **8.05** Shakespeare in Paris
9.10 Sunday Play: Cupid and Psyche. Based on *The Golden Ass* by Lucius Apuleius (r)
10.45 Music in Our Time: A Prisoner of Invention. David Osmond-Smith introduces a studio recording of Brian Ferneyhough's *Carceri d'Invenzione*
12.30-12.35am News

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping **6.00** News Briefing incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Prelude **6.30** News; Morning Has Broken with Jack Hywel-Davies **7.00** News **7.10** Sunday Papers **7.15** On Your Farm **7.40** Sunday with Christopher Morgan and Alison Hilliard **8.00** News **8.10** Sunday Papers **8.50** Sir Peter Ustinov appeals for the Week's Good Cause on behalf of the Caldecott Community, a residential school for children in crisis **8.55** Weather
9.00 News
9.10 Sunday Papers
9.15 Letter from America by Alistair Cooke (r)
9.30 Morning Service, from Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Pembroke, Wales
10.15 The Archers: Omnibus edition
11.15 News Stand with Matthew D'Ancona of *The Times*
11.30 Pick of the Week with Chris Serle (r)
12.15pm In the Psychiatrist's Chair: Actor William Roache talks to Dr Anthony Clare **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World This Weekend with Nick Clarke
2.00 Gardeners' Question Time: The team visits the "Radio On Show" festival in Scarborough. Members of the public put their questions to Dr Stefan Buczacki, Daphne Ledward, Fred Downham and chairman Clay Jones
2.30 Classic Serial: Alexander. See Choice
3.30 The Radio Programme: The A to Z of radio awards with Laurie Taylor
4.00 News; Analysis: All Sound and Fury? (r)
4.47 Smashing Pots: Nigel Barley shares his passion for African pots and the wealth of meanings they contain
5.00 News; Walking through Ireland: Robin Neillands walked across Ireland in 1992. Now he retraces his footsteps from the Sperrin Mountains in Ulster to Knocknarea near Sligo (r)
5.30 Poetry Please! with Simon Rae **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.15 Feedback with Chris Dunkley (r)
6.30 Europhile presented by Gordon Clough (r)
7.00 The Board Game: Business quiz with Peter Day, Alastair Ross Goobey, Janette Rutterford, Howard Hodgson and chairman Nigel Cassidy (r)
7.30 A Good Read: Edward Blishen invites Victoria Wood and Muriel Gray to select three paperbacks that they consider to be a good read (r)
8.00 Punters: presented by Susan Marling (r)
8.30 Laughing Aloud: Dancing for Henry Miller. Actress Sheila Steafel recounts her traumatic experience as a scantily-clad ballet dancer in the film of Henry Miller's *Tropic of Cancer*
9.00 The Natural History Programme Presented by George Macpherson (r)
9.30 Special Assignment (r) **9.59** Weather
10.00 News
10.15 About Face. See Choice
11.00 In Committee presented by Carolyn Quinn
11.30 Seeds of Faith: Graham Cray, principal of Ridley Hall, Cambridge, believes the era of Enlightenment thinking is giving way to a new age and reflects on the consequences for Christian thought and action
12.00-12.43am News incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

RADIO CHOICE

Classic Serial: Alexander. *Radio 4, 2.30pm*
Behold, an epic tale is about to unfold as we settle in for David Wade's six-part drama, based on the life of Alexander the Great. Today's first episode deals with the portentous birth of the little great one and his childhood days at the hands of a debauched mother, Olympias (Geraldine James) and stern father, King Philip of Macedon (Brian Cox). The characters already seem to be spitting insults at each other — "You she-wolf!", cries Philip to Olympias — but rest assured, as in all the best ancient dramas, it is the gods who have the last laugh.

About Face. *Radio 4, 10.15pm*
This fascinating programme considers what happens when we lose our "labels of identity" — in other words, our faces. Two patients, one male, one female talk frankly about the accidents that left them so badly burnt that even after surgery they were almost unrecognisable. Gill was shocked that her new face seemed sexless. James went into a state of mourning — "I didn't know where I was in all that". Yet both came to terms with what had happened, adopting very different ways of dealing with other people's reactions.

Stephanie Billen

RADIO 1
FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Neale James (FM only until 6.00) **7.00** Gary Davies **10.00** Dave Lee Travis **1.00pm** Number Ones on 1FM **2.30** Rockline **4.00** The UK Top 40 **7.00** The Official 1FM Album Chart **8.00** Anne Nightingale's Request Show ***10.00** Gary Davies (FM only from 12.00)* ***1.00-4.00am** Clare Sturgess*

RADIO 2
FM Stereo **4.00am** Barbara Sturgeon **7.00** Don Maclean says Good Morning Sunday **9.05** John Sachs **10.30** Hayes on Sunday **12.00** Vintage Years: Desmond Carrington; **2.00** Benny Green; **3.00** Alan Dell. **4.00** Tea at the Bath Spa; **4.30** *Sing Something Simple.* ***5.00** Charlie Chester with Sunday Soapbox* **7.00** Richard Baker **8.30** Sunday Half Hour **9.00** Alan Keith with Your Hundred Best Tunes **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme **12.05am** John Terrett **3.00-5.00am** *Steve Madden*

RADIO 5
News and sport on the hour until **7.00pm.** **6.00am** World Service **6.30** Weekend Edition ***9.30** The Island of the Big Yellow Ox by Walter* Macken (3 of 3) **10.00** Johnnie Walker with The AM Alternative **11.30** One Day in a Life **12.10pm** Learn to Earn with Anna Grayson **12.40** Open Forum **1.00** Sunday Sport. Golf live from Sandwich with Tony Adamson. Commentary on the final day's play at Royal St George's; Cricket: Durham v Australia; and motor cycling **7.20** Open University: The New Curiosity Shop; **7.40** Witness to Change; **8.00** Sermons in 18th-Century Europe, **8.20** Assignment 103; **8.40** Maths, Eigenvalues and Eigentines; **9.00** Open Forum; **9.20** Art Works; **9.40** Women in Cinema **10.10** Across the Line with Mike Edgar **12.00-12.10am** News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE
All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News in German **5.00** Sunday Feature: Tips für Touristen **5.30** Short Story: Dadji's Trunk **5.45** Pop the Question **6.00** Newshour **7.00** News **7.15** Letter from America **7.30** Jazz for the Asking **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** From Our Own Correspondent **8.50** Write On **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Ray on Record **10.00** News **10.05** Business Review **10.15** Short Story: Dadji's Trunk **10.30** Folk Routes **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** Science in Action **11.30** BBC English **11.45** News in German **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** The Ken Bruce Show **1.00** Play of the Week: The Master and Margarita **2.00** Newshour **3.00** The Pope's Divisions **3.30** Anything Goes **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** News in German **5.00** News **5.15** Who Says I'm Mad? **5.45** Letter from America **6.00** BBC English **6.30** News in German **6.90** In Good Voice **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Folk Routes **9.30** Brain of Britain **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.15** Short Story: Dadji's Trunk **11.30** Letter from America ***11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** News **12.05am** Business Review **12.15** Ray on Record* **1.00** Newsdesk **1.30** In Praise of God **2.00** The Record Producers **2.45** Arabian Sounds **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** Composer of the Month: The Burgundians **4.00** News **4.15** Sports Roundup

CLASSIC FM
5.00am Sarah Lucas **9.00** Classic Romance **12.00** Celebrity Choice: Paul Callan talks to *Linda Agran* **1.00pm** Nicky Horne **3.00** Robert Booth **7.00** Authentic Performance: Mel cooper talks with Sir Neville Marriner **8.00** Evening Concert: Schumann (Symphony No 1 in Bb major Op 38, Spring; Cello Concerto in A minor Op 129; Kinderszenen Op 15) **10.00** Contemporary Classics **12.00-6.00am** André Leon

VIRGIN 1215
6.00am Graham Dene **10.00** Virgin Classic Tracks **4.00pm** The Virgin-Label's Album Chart **7.00** Jonathan Coleman **10.00** Nick Abbot **2.00-6.00am** Sandy Beach

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DAVID FLUSFEDER PREVIEWS THE BEST OF NEXT WEEK'S TELLY

Rocking with the cavemen



When things start to get summer-slow, television schedulers go mad with themed seasons. BBC2 has a night of Geordie programmes tomorrow, among them the gangster masterpiece *Get Carter* (which includes one of the sexiest phone conversations in movie history). Channel 4 spends a lot of the weekend dipping into a mixed bag of rock repeats, movie tie-ins, and scientific programmes on dinosaurs. Highlights of the week ahead are musical, from A(bba) to Z(appa).

Dinomania: Claws, Jaws and Dinosaurs
Today, Channel 4, 8.30pm
"Look at the size of those things," yells a brawny caveman to his pert cavegirl in a grade-Z Hollywood movie. What *is* it that gets people so worked up about dinosaurs? This gentle gallery of crazed scientists, gooey children, obsessional collectors of tat, mixed in with the schlocky excess of movie clips, doesn't try too hard to answer the question, but it has a good time anyway.

We meet the self-declared "Mr Suburbia in Gillingham in Kent", who rehearses for his dinosaur-hunting expedition in the Congo by camping out in Epping Forest with his friend, both of them in paramilitary gear, building fires and frightening children: the American eccentric, who looks like a hippie biker (and seems desperate for his own television programme), who tends "to think about dinosaurs all of the time... there's some dinosaur feet, hello, feet", and resents the "class bias" that puts cold-blooded reptiles down in favour of warm-blooded mammals; and a softly spoken white-haired man, who has the most worrying interpretation of our fascination: "because we know our own doom is just around the corner".

The children who are interviewed don't appear to be any more wildly speculative than the others. The true star of the show is the little girl who's worried that if dinosaurs ever returned they'd hide in wardrobes and steal glittery things. (Unfortunately, they didn't get round to asking me for my theory on how the *tyrannosaurus rex* moved. Look at those cute little arms and those powerful hind legs and that tail. What animal do they remind you of? Like the kangaroo, I'm sure the king of the lizards was a hopper.)

Coronation Street
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, ITV, 7.30pm
There are slow-burning battles and simmering romances galore up the Street these days. Light skirmishes between love-bored Raquel ("I'd stay clear of that... She's a tart!", bellows purple-rinsed Phyllis in the voice which makes Louis Armstrong sound like a castrato), and cheeky, sensible Angie. The 100 Years War between Mike Baldwin and Ken Barlow rumbles on. And the buffoon genius of the piece, Reg Holdsworth (superbly played by Ken Morley as a goggle-eyed, suave prat, with the best laugh on television: "hyugh hyugh hyugh", it goes), is doing his best to get his fiancée's mother into a home.

The mother, Maud Grimes, confined to a wheelchair and adorned with a tea cosy atop her head, gets a little skittish at the prospect of Benedictine in the pub, but naturally she's the mean old bat who's happiest making other people unhappy, and goes in for interesting chats about calf-length surgical stockings.

But it's the romances where the action is. The new character Jonathan (chancer and charmer) is making a powerful play for the pub landlady, Liz. Nice, chirpy, child-minding Sally seems to be the future target for sad-eyed Joe. Grey-haired Don (hospital appointments and all) is getting very good at giving consoling hugs to sexy hairdresser Denise. And there is a fine Leonard Rossiter performance from the new grocer, Brendan, who makes doomed, pompous plays for Deirdre (whose voice is getting worryingly Phyllis-like).

The acting is great all round. The dialogue is clever and funny. You'll even get some snazzy camerawork. And don't worry if you haven't watched the programme for a while and are worried that you won't know who's who: the characters have the reassuring habit of using each other's names in almost every conversation they have.

Rear Window: Zingaro: the Equestrian Opera
Tuesday, Channel 4, 9pm
Bartabas has a cropped head, big mutton-chop sideburns, a burly butcher's body, a powerful theatrical vision, and an amazing rapport with horses. "I feel very close", he says, "to people like Artaud who tried to link the theatre to the idea of danger: not physical danger or accidents, but the idea of living dangerously; the human adventure."

His Zingaro troupe presents the human adventure with wild violin music, dance and tumbling, a choir of Berber women and Georgian men, and, at the centre, intimate ritual challenges between men and horses. The effect is grand.

Bartabas (not his real name, but adopted for some occult reason for his horsey work) comes over like a slightly mad pagan intellectual. "We aren't trying to impress the audience," he claims, "we're trying to impress the horse."

A for Abba
Tuesday, BBC1, 9.30pm (with the 1979 Wembley concert at 12.10am)
"These are the Abba group," David Vine said, sympathetically attempting a Swedish speech pattern on the Eurovision Song Contest of 1974. And Benny, Bjorn, Agnetha and Anni-Frid burst into their happy-go-lucky Euro-pap pop of "Waterloo".

They couldn't dance, some critics cruelly claim that they found their lyrics on cereal packets (and, as Elvis Costello says, some of their songs you could only listen to when you were drunk) — but their true strength was a combination of cleverly devised melodies and words that had the strength of purpose not to worry about being corny.

John Peel presents this tribute with gusto (and the appropriate bad-taste garb), giving a history of the group accompanied by the appropriate clips (including an early solo performance of Agnetha dressed in flying gear and singing the words "min min min" over and over again, clearly hunting for language skills).

As Lowri Turner says, they had to pay for their success: "they had to wear those *clothes*" — sarongs, furs, medieval tablecloths, nightmare air-hostess-from-hell gear, shiny blue Spandex trouser suits with knee protectors, and one very curious item: tiny white T-shirt dresses for Agnetha and Anni-Frid, each with what looks like a beaver embroidered on the front of it.

The group ended in pathos. Both marriages broke up and the last videos were almost adult in their Vaseline-smeared melancholy. "No more ace to play... the loser standing small", Agnetha sang, and it was all very sad; the curious moment that arises when teenbop idols try to tell the truth.

Business Matters: The Giant Has Woken
Thursday, BBC2, 7.50pm
China contains a quarter of the world's population, and it is about to take over the world, an Indian industrialist says, with a mixture of awe and concern (along with the mild pride that he is among the foreign businessman taking advantage of the Chinese boom). China — after its abrupt turn to an "open door" economic policy in 1978 — is the fastest-growing economy in the world, and its southernmost province of Guangdong is the fastest-growing of all.

David Lomax, a polite, astute interviewer and guide, finds the Guandong department stores filled with glittering objects of consumer joy, home-grown Avon ladies, and hugely successful entrepreneurs making carriage lamps and hub caps, textiles and fast food. Part of their success is based on low wages — which are still higher than in most other parts of China.

Lomax gets a sniff of the dodgy things that are associated with capitalist booms — corruption, drugs, gambling and prostitution — but when he asks about the uneasy collision between state and communism and individual economic adventuring, he gets only bland answers such as: "This is socialism with Chinese characteristics."

Frank Zappa
Friday, BBC2, 12.10am
"Some scientists claim that hydrogen is the building block of the universe because it is the most plentiful substance. But no, Zappa argues: "The universe is made out of stupidity because it is more plentiful than hydrogen."

Zappa built a career out of an odd combination of electric guitar wizardry, tight band-leading, crass satire and bad-taste humour, and a moral vision ("How many people died from the *Karma Sutra* as opposed to the Bible?").

Late night Friday is Zappa night: a repeat of a *Late Show* interview and biography, followed by rarely seen music footage from the 1960s through to the 1990s of the man and his bands.

Matt Groening, the cartoonist (creator of *The Simpsons*), celebrates the fact that Zappa possesses "the best moustache in American history... and he has that little thing on his chin". He's had that moustache and that little thing on his chin ever since he was a high-school student who would carry his guitar around while growing up in the desolate town of Lancaster on the edge of the Mojave desert. His two strongest musical influences were the rhythm and blues of Johnny "Guitar" Watson and the avant-garde dissonance of Edgar Varese.

Zappa was fond of quoting a line of Varese's on the back of most of his early record sleeves. The line is: "The present-day composer refuses to die", and sadly what started as a dada statement has become horribly appropriate. Zappa is ill from prostate cancer, but his productivity hasn't diminished. In the last few months he has recorded three albums, composed music for the Ensemble Moderne of Germany, and held his first "salon", a musical get-together of Zappa and guitar with The Chieftains from Ireland and a band from Mongolia, along with his old hero Watson.

The music is an acquired taste, but the man is impressively intelligent — you sometimes get the feeling that when he found his way into rock music he might have found his way into the wrong place.



Zappa: the music is an acquired taste, the man is impressively intelligent (Friday, BBC2)

TOMORROW
Grease 1978, US (BBC1, 3pm)
Get Carter 1971, GB (BBC2, 10.10pm)
Weekend 1967, Fr (BBC2, 12.55am)
TUESDAY
The Devil and Miss Jones 1941, US (BBC2, 10.20am)
The Sea Hawk 1940, US (BBC2, 6pm)
WEDNESDAY
Anna Christie 1930, US (Ch4, 2pm)
THURSDAY
The Man Who Came to Dinner 1941, US (BBC2, 9am)
FRIDAY
Miracles for Sale 1939, US (BBC2, 9.40am)

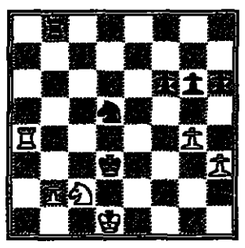
TODAY
Golf: The Open: third day (BBC1, 12.35pm)
Athletics: AAA championships (ITV, 3pm)
TOMORROW
Golf: The Open: final day (BBC2, 12.30pm)
THURSDAY-
Cricket: England v Australia: fourth Test (BBC2, 10.50am)
FRIDAY
Athletics: London Grand Prix (Ch4, 8.55pm)

And the Sea Will Tell (Tuesday/Wednesday, ITV, 9pm)

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

Today's problem is from the game Byrne — Hodgson, Watson, Farley & Williams/City of London Corporation Chess Challenge 1991. Despite the simplified nature of the position, black has an immediate win. Can you spot it?



Send your answer on a postcard with your name and address to: The Times, 1 Pennington Street, London E1 9XN. The first three correct answers drawn on Thursday next week will win a British Chess Magazine book. The answer and the winners will be printed in The Times on the following Saturday.

Solution to last Saturday's competition: 1 Qxg4. The winners are: G.R. Dodd, Lincoln; P.W. Newstead, Letchworth; M.A. Trollope, Worthing.

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

PALAMON
a. A former friend of Timon
b. A faithful servant
c. A noble young kinsman

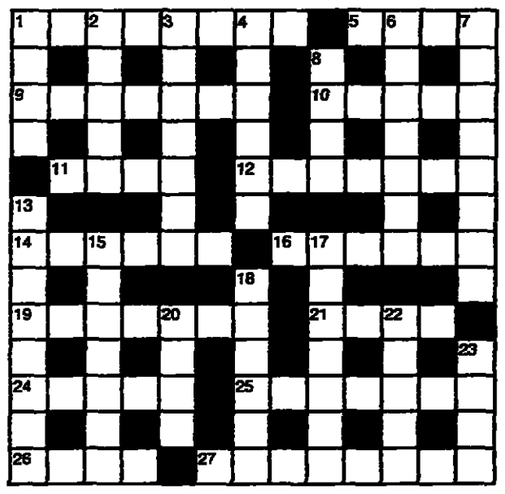
DOUGLAS
a. A drunken porter
b. A fiery Scot
c. A languishing lover

LAUNCE
a. A French knight
b. A lugubrious clown
c. Falstaff's merry companion

PHILARIO
a. An Italian host
b. Lover of Jessica
c. Rival of Romeo

Answers on page 13

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5 Permit (4)
9 Temporary stay (7)
10 Jockey (5)
11 Curved opening (4)
12 Merciful (7)
14 For ever (6)
16 Selected (6)
19 Rail sleeping coach (7)
21 Small particle (4)
24 Scots child (5)
25 Clearing out (7)
26 Irritable (4)
27 Loose debris (8)

DOWN
1 Angler's prey (4)
2 More important (5)
3 Mischievous (7)
4 Weak in old age (6)
6 Speech (7)
7 Close examination (8)
8 Woman sailor (4)
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15 Compliant (7)
17 Cigar store (7)
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A taste of small-screen fame

Caitlin Moran on the pride and the pain of being a TV presenter



Début: Caitlin Moran with co-presenter Johnny Vaughan

It seems I'm about to be famous, for which I can only apologise. Channel 4 has a new music programme, *Naked City*, which starts next Friday and for which I will be waltzing around in front of the camera and shooting my mouth off about anything and everything that comes with a 4/4 beat and a bass-line.

Working on the premise that anyone who appears on TV is instantly hated, I have fortified my front door with barbed wire, laid in a supply of bazookas, done a six-month shop at Sainsbury's and taken the dog on the walk of her life; she is now six inches shorter.

Oddly enough, when The Media discover you're about to talk about pop music for an hour once a week, they suddenly find your opinions on *everything* vitally important. For instance, I will be talking about punk pop gods The Manic Street Preachers' new haircuts for three and a half minutes, so one newspaper thinks it makes sense to ask me what I think of my breasts. Excuse me? "Well, they're there, aren't they, and they make wearing a bra easier, I suppose." What am I *supposed* to say? I like pop music and know about it, but I know very little about the internal dichotomies and conflicts *vis-à-vis* women, their self-image and their bosomy parts.

Interviewers believe they can ask you the most intimate questions. One woman threw herself down on my sofa — destroying a carton of coleslaw I'd forgotten about under the cushion — whipped out her tape recorder and asked me, breathlessly: "So, have you got a boyfriend, then?" Um, I've known you slightly less than three minutes. Do you want to start with something a little more basic, like: "Could I have a cup of tea, please?" Or: "How do you do?"

Of course, journalists are known for being upfront and brassy and other euphemisms for "slightly insensitive", but when I interview people I don't ask them questions that make them awkward, or if I did I would cease when the interviewee made it clear that they were uncomfortable. I once completely unpicked a crochet throw-over rug while being grilled by one hackette, and she still didn't sense I was disconcerted by her attention to the insides of my head.

Obviously, it isn't all gloom: the job itself is the sort of thing small girlies loom fantasies about in the golden hour between drowsiness and sleep: bleached-blond pop gods rest their heads in my lap, pull my plaits and give me their chips; rock heroines swap gossip and glittery good sense over a plate of scones and a pot of coffee.

I get to meet all those I worship, and ask them all the questions that bugged me through the years as I listened to their records. I get paid to show off to camera. However, I can't ham it up too much.

When Channel 4 showed the first trailer for the show — in between *Cheers* and *Roseanne* — I was out. However, the security guards of my ego — my siblings — were glued to the set. A string of razor comments was left on my answering machine. Caro's response was three minutes of manic laughter, followed by the sighed comment, "Oh dear." Claire said that the cameraman should've tried a slightly higher angle, as "all your double chins showed". John asked querulously if I was going to visit home soon and, if I was, could I enter the house when it was dark so that none of the neighbours knew I was related to him.

All this comment made me mountain-crushingly self-conscious. Most people go through life unaware of what they look like walking or talking to other people. A misty, rose-framed vision of grace is formed in the brain; we imagine ourselves to be slightly jagged images of endearing perfection. And everyone else to be stumbling heffalumps.

Unfortunately, unless a Nureyev or the lead singer of Suede, we are *all* stumbling heffalumps. I realised this in a TV edit suite last week. Watching an editor spooling backwards and forwards over one 30-second sequence of action, my carefully cherished illusion that I had a kind of inward grace bit the dust. When the editor paused the film, leaving my TV face contorted, like an epileptic gargoyle in the middle of a sneeze, I waited until he turned his back and then jogged the machine on a few more frames until I looked vaguely more composed. The editor caught me, and threw me out of the edit suite.

Gosh, TV is just so glamorous.

● *Naked City starts on July 23, Channel 4, 11.05pm.*

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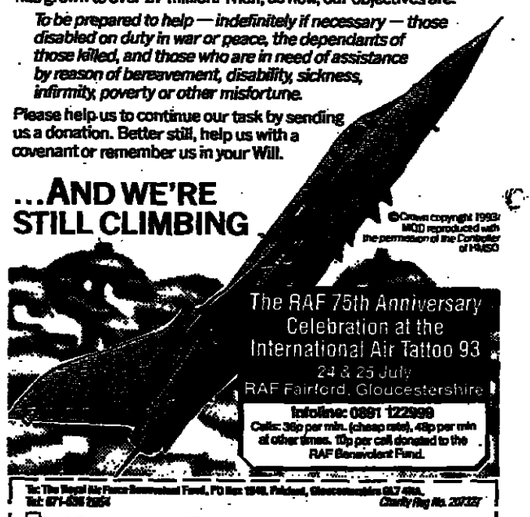


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